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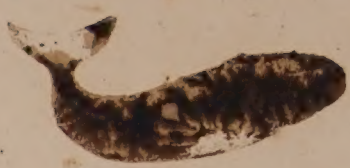
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# Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Logbook.

John T. Barker Master bound on a whaling voyage  
to the Atlantic & Indian Oceans. Sailed from New Bedford  
the thirtieth day of May. One thousand eight hundred and  
thirty-five. Arrived back again April 15<sup>th</sup> 1839.

















Ref. Post  
Hour

Bread

Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> 1835 Remarks &c  
Commenced with fresh gale from W. S. West and thick squally weather  
Lying at anchor in Burrows bay, the Dumplin light bearing W. by S. distant 1 mile - At 2 Pm weighed anchor and ran up off Clarks point  
and came to again in 5 1/2 fathoms water. - Furl'd the sail & set anchor  
watchy, ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~etc.~~ <sup>etc.</sup> ~~End of the day~~ Middle part fresh breeze from the West -  
At 6 Am took our anchor & stood out to sea with the wind at W. S. W.  
At 8 Oclk the Capt. came on Board and we proceeded on our Voyage  
At 11 Am the Wind hauled to the W. S. West and so continued until the  
end - End of the day in Ship's duty - Trying to get to the South -

Remarks &c Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup> 1835

First part strong breeze from the West - At 3 Pm the pilot left us  
to our hands & the Tow ship rocky bearing E. S. E. distant 1 league -  
at 4 Pm the wind hauled to the S. West - at half past 4 nearly calm  
the middle <sup>part</sup> of Roman Land bearing E. by South distant 5 Leagues  
from whence I take my departure -  
At Sunset Gay head Light bore N. E. 1/4 North distant six leagues & the middle  
of Roman Land bore E. 3/4 North distant about 5 1/2 Leagues - Trying all we  
know to get to the South - Middle part light variable winds calm &c  
At 4 Am saw Gay head light bearing N. East 1/2 East distant 9 leagues -  
Latter part pleasant gale from S. East and hazy weather the Ship past  
off our Sea distant 5 miles - Ship's course S. West. Lat. 41° 55' North  
Long. by Chronometer 70° 19' West End of these 24 hours steering by the wind  
to the S. West - passed several small craft to day -



Ship *Seres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> S<sup>t</sup> Barker of New Bedford Bound  
on a whaling voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean

Remarks &c Monday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

First part fresh gale from the South and hazy. All hands employed in ship's duty. Steering by the wind to the S<sup>t</sup> West. At 7 P<sup>m</sup> tacked to the East. Middle part strong breeze from the S<sup>t</sup> West and rugged weather. The Parker off our lee Quarter distant 2 leagues. Latter part strong breeze from S<sup>t</sup> West. Rugged steering to the Southward. The Parker not in sight. Ends the day in Ship's duty. Untent the chains &c. Double reefed. Lat by 39° 54' North Long. 70° 30' West.

Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from N<sup>t</sup> West and rugged weather. Employed fitting the boats for action. Middle part more moderate with pleasant gale from the Westward. Hoisted the reefs out & set the Top Gallant sails. Steering South. Latter part pleasant with light air from the S<sup>t</sup> West. Employed breaking out fore and aft. Steering S<sup>t</sup> West. Ends the day in Ship's duty all well. Lat by 38° 47' N. Long by Chronom 70° 15' W.

Remarks &c Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the West<sup>nd</sup> and pleasant weather. Employed stowing off the fore and after holds. Coiling lines &c. Middle part pleasant gale from the S<sup>t</sup> West and fine weather. Lowered the boats and exercised the crew & they worked well. Steering by the wind to the South. Saw some porpoises and tomorrow I hope we shall see whales. Latter part strong gale from the N<sup>t</sup> West and pleasant. The watch employed stopping chafes &c in & about the rigging. Ends the day in Ship's duty all well.

Lat by 37° 53' North Long 70° 06' West

Thursday June 4<sup>th</sup> Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the South and pleasant. The watch employed in Ship's duty. Fitted a new fore top sail runner &c. At 5 P<sup>m</sup> lowered the boats and exercised the crew came on board and continue on our voyage. Middle part light air from the west<sup>nd</sup> and pleasant. Latter part the same. Saw Blackfish lowered & struck her but the crew drew and they went off. Employed setting up the Mizzen rigging.

Lat by 37° 42' North Long 69° 00' West 69° 14' West

Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breeze from the S<sup>t</sup> West and cloudy. The watch employed in various duties. At 6 P<sup>m</sup> took in the fore Mizzen S<sup>t</sup> Sail. Saw the Ship *Boston* of Boston. Steering to the N<sup>t</sup> E. did not speak here. At 7 took in main S<sup>t</sup> S<sup>t</sup> Sail and Double reefed the Top sails. Steering by the wind to the East. Middle part strong gale from the S<sup>t</sup> West and rugged. Took in the jib & mainsail. At daylight began and washed the Ship inside. Latter part the same as the middle. Kept off East and let her go under double reefed Top sails. At 11 A<sup>m</sup> took in the Mizzen Top sails. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Lat by 37° 05' North Long 67° 10' West



Ship *Ceres* Capt Barker of Wexford Bound on a whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean - Remarks on Board &c  
Remarks &c Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N West and very rugged  
Steering off East under Double reefed Fore & Main Toppails & fore  
Tongues  
Sails - At 5 Pm took in the Fore topsail and close reefed the main  
Sails one end reefed to the N East. At 7 Pm balance reefed the sp  
ker and set it - Middle part the same as the first. Latter, heavy  
Codfish  
gales and very rugged from the N West. At 9 Am took in the foresail  
opened today and at 11 Am wore ship to the North west. The watch employed in  
various duties. Lat by 36° 25' North Long 66° 21' West. So ends

Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the N West and a heavy sea  
running. Lying to under a close reefed main Toppail & reefed  
Spunker - Saw a ship steering to the N East. At 5 Pm moderated  
some and at 6 we set the foresail. Middle part the same as  
the first. At 5 Am kept off East. Latter part more moderate  
ate with squalls of rain - Lat by D.R. 36° 52' North Long 65° 30' West  
End the day in ships duty. On Saw a spar adrift this forenoon

Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the N West and sailing. Steering off  
East by South under a close reefed main Toppail & foresail. At 2 Pm the  
wind hauled to the N East and blew a gale. At 6 Pm took in the fore  
sail and set the spunker reefed. Standing to the E S East. Middle  
part much the same as the first. At 8 Am set the foresail - Latter  
part more moderate. Set the Toppails at 9 am - Employed fitting  
cutting gear &c &c. Standing to the N East. Lat by 36° 11' North  
Tuesday June 9<sup>th</sup> 1835 Long - 65° 40' West

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the E S East and rugged -  
Employed fitting the hose - At 1 Pm set the jib & main sail -  
Steering by the wind to the N East & N East Middle part quite  
pleasant with the wind from E N East. At 6 Am set the Toppails in  
Employed breaking out betwixt decks and stowing up stowage. Latter  
part pleasant gales from the Eastward and fine weather. Standing  
to the N East. Lat by 35° 57' North Long 65° 19' West  
One hands off duty



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean

Remarks &c Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1835-

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the East and fine weather. The watch employed stowing off between decks - Middle part  
Bread calm and light variable air - Latter part the same - The water  
employed breaking out and stowing off the stowage. Overhauling the  
chains &c - Lat By 35° 52' North Long 64° 04' West by Chronom  
Our Boy off duty.

Thursday June 11<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the West and fine weather. All  
hands employed filling cutting pendanty & other duties - Steering E N E  
with all sail out. Picked up a good spruce spier 35 feet in length  
suitable for a Top Gallant Mast - Middle part much the same as the  
first - At 6 am the winds hauled to the North which brought along sever  
al squalls of rain. Latter part pleasant gales from the West and  
fine weather - Employed in Ships duty. Saw a breach but no fish

Boy off duty. Lat By 36° 35' North Long 62° 28' West

Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather from the West  
At 2 Pm the winds hauled to the East. The watch employed making  
Spanyarn &c - Steering by the winds to the E N E at 6 Pm the winds  
hauled to the E N E at 7 Pm hauled to the East. Saw a breach to  
night but could not see any whale. Saw a sail steering the same  
as ourselves - Middle part light air from the East and fine weather  
Steering by the winds to the E N E. Latter part pleasant with light airs  
from the South - Saw some Mongrel Blackish chases and got one  
took him on board and continued on our voyage. Sent aloft the cutting  
pendants to day - Lat By 36° 36' North Long 62° 33' West. To End the day

Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the South and smoky - Steering by the  
parted water &c to the N E with all sail out. Saw a finback & some porpoises  
to night - The watch employed in Ships duty. Middle part light air  
from the West & cloudy. The watch employed in Ships duty. Latter part  
pleasant gales from the Southwest and fine weather. Steering to the N  
North & East - End the day in Ships duty Lat By 37° 04' North  
Long 61° 10' West

Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the West and fine weather. Steering  
off N E by East. Employed in Ships duty - Middle & Latter part the same  
as the first. Saw a Sail to day and also a finback. End the day in  
Ship's duty.

Lat 38° 16' North  
Long by Chronometer 59° 27' West



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean.

Remarks &c June 15<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the West and cloudy.  
The watch employed in ship's duty. At 6 Am kept off St Eby North  
Saw one solitary finback and sunfish. Middle part fresh  
breezes from the West and cloudy. Latter part the same. Saw a barge  
steering to the Eastward. Bent the flying jib & main spencers. Saw Blackfish  
chased but could not catch any. Ends the day in ship's duty.

Lat Observed  $39^{\circ} 59'$  North Long by Chronom  $58^{\circ} 30'$  West

Tuesday June 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the West and cloudy with some  
rain. The watch employed in various duties. The mongrel Blackfish made  
about 7 gallons of oil. Middle part the same. Latter part fresh gales  
from the South. Bound ourselves in green water to day. The watch em-  
ployed in various duties. Saw Blackfish and Stickle two but did not  
save either. Lat Obs  $41^{\circ} 25'$  North Long  $54^{\circ} 37'$  West So Ends the day  
Steering Eby North. Boy off duty.

Wednesday June 17<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the South & smoky weather. The  
watch employed in ship's duty. Steering to the Eastward under all  
sail. At sunset the Southern edge of Grand Bank bore E N East  
by acct distant 60 Leagues. Middle part variable winds and some  
rain. Employed in ship's duty. Latter part the same. Saw a  
sail standing to the Eastward. Lat by DR  $41^{\circ} 57'$  North Long  
 $51^{\circ} 29'$  West Ends the day in ship's duty Steering Eby S.

Thursday June 18<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light variable winds & thick drizzly weather. The  
watch employed in various duties. Saw a sail to night. Also some  
kinds of whales (we called them sperm and chased but was so  
near night we could not get near enough to see what were they. Came  
on board again. Middle & Latter part thick foggy weather with the  
winds from the NE East. Saw some Grampus this morning also a  
sail. Lat Obs  $42^{\circ} 35'$  North Long  $50^{\circ} 17'$  West Ends the day in  
Ship's duty Boy off duty.

Friday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the East and thick foggy  
weather. Steering to the Eastward under all sail. The watch emp-  
loyed in ship's duty. Saw Grampus but it being so thick did not  
lower. Middle part strong gales from the East and NE East and thick  
foggy weather. Latter part more pleasant with strong strong breezes. Took in  
all three Stails at 8 Am. Lat Obs  $43^{\circ} 47'$  North Long by Obs  $49^{\circ} 19'$  West  
by Chronometer  $49^{\circ} 04'$  West. Ends the day in ship's duty. Boy off duty.

Saturday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commences with strong breezes from the NE East and cloudy. The  
watch employed making Sunnet &c. Steering by the wind to the East  
ward at 6 Am single reefed the Topsails. Whales to morrow.  
Middle & Latter part more moderate made all sail at daylight and steered  
by the wind to the Eastward. Lat Obs  $44^{\circ} 36'$  North Long by Chronom-  
eter  $44^{\circ} 52'$  West. So Ends. The Boy once off duty.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of *New Bedford* Bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic Indian Oceans. Remarks.

Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the S<sup>W</sup> East and cloudy -  
Steering by the winds to the Eastward. The watch employed in Ship's  
duty. Saw a brig standing to the West & West. Middle & latter part  
pleasant gales from the South and fine weather. Saw porpoises & caught a  
Sunfish. Lat by 45° 04' North Long by Chron<sup>o</sup> 42° 09' West by Sun 42° 20' W  
Ends the day in Ship's duty. Voice off duty.

Monday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the S<sup>W</sup> and fine weather. Steering  
E<sup>SE</sup> East. Saw a sail to day steering how I do not know. Middle part  
the same as the first. Latter part light airs and calms. Saw a number  
of Pinbacks to day. Employed repairing the S<sup>W</sup> Gallant sail &c. Saw a  
Brig steering to the Eastward. Lat by 45° 15' North Long by the  
Chronometer 40° 45' West. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Tuesday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs and fine pleasant weather. Caught a Sun-  
fish & had a fresh mess. Saw about a Young thousand Pinbacks to  
night also a brig steering to the West. Ship's course E<sup>SE</sup> East.  
Middle part Light airs and pleasant. Latter part the same. Four sail  
in sight. Lat 45° 20' North Long by D<sup>R</sup> 39° 30' West. Ends the day in  
Ship's duty.

Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the S<sup>W</sup> and fine weather -  
Saw Blackfish lowered and got 6 took them to the ship & hoisted  
them in and skinned the blubber off and let them go again. Saw  
a ship supposed to be one of the Liverpool Line of Packets.  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first. The watch employed  
in Ship's duty. Lat by 45° 30' North Long by Chronometer  
37° 25' West. Ends the day steering E<sup>SE</sup> East.

Thursday June 25<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from S<sup>W</sup> & fine weather. The  
watch employed in Ship's duty. At 2 Pm spoke brig *Wm* *Trin*  
24 days from Newport, England bound to Islands. Saw some  
porpoises & Grampus. Pinbacks and several sail. Steering E<sup>SE</sup> East.  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first. Employed boiling out  
the Blackfish. Lat by 46° 04' North Long by Chronom 33° 15' West  
Ends the day steering E by South.

Friday June 26<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with fresh gales from the S<sup>W</sup> West and fine weather.  
At 1 Pm spoke Brig *Gornas* of Liverpool found their Long to  
be 33° 20' West. Saw some Pinbacks & porpoises to day. At 6 Oclk Pm  
hauled up for the Western Islands being about discouraged with  
the prospect of finding whals in this wooden County. Our Blackfish  
made about 8 barrels oil.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Bound on a Whaling  
Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean Remarks &c 1835-

Friday June 26<sup>th</sup> 1835

Middle & Latter part fresh breezes from the N West and pleasant  
The watch employed fitting Mizzen Royal yard & mast &c &c Steering by the  
wind to the S E East. Saw a number of sails of vessels to day.

Lat by 45° 13' North Long 29° 18' West End the day in the  
duty. Three hands off duty

Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales and pleasant weather from the N West  
The watch employed in Ship's duty. Steering by the wind to the  
S E East brace & Sharp. Middle & Latter part strong gales from  
the N West and rugged. Passed a French man of war Brig this morn  
I picked up a stick of Timber 23 feet Long 15 inches thick 8 1/2 inches wide square  
The contents of the stick - At 10 Am took in fore & Mizzen & Sails and flying  
The watch employed sawing and splitting the timber up.  
Two hands off duty Lat by 44° 28' North Long by Chron 26° 36' West  
Painted the Mizzen mast -

Sunday June 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N West and rugged  
weather Steering by the wind to the S East. The watch employ  
ed in various duties. At 4 Pm tacked Ship to the westward  
Middle part strong breezes from the N West and rugged. At 11 Pm took  
in the main & Sails and Double reefed the Topsails. At 10 Am Latter part  
the same as the middle. At 10 Am took in the jib & mainsail  
End the day in a shower of rain. Lat by Acc<sup>t</sup> 43° 46' North Long 27° 27'

Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and very rugged from the N West. At 4 Pm tacked  
to the S East. At 4 Pm moderated and the wind hauled to the N West  
made all sail and steered N West. Saw plenty of Finbacks to night  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first. Painted the Foremast  
and set up the head stays &c. Lat by 42° 53' North Long by Chronometer  
27° 11' West End the day getting out a new Spritsail yard -

Tuesday June 30<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather. Employed getting  
aloft the Mizzen Royal mast and yard felling the Mizzen stay &c &c  
Saw plenty of porpoises and Finbacks to day in Middle & Latter part  
the same as the first. Employed felling the main & m stay and doing other  
odd jobs. Lat by 41° 09' North Long 27° 03' West by Chronometer &  
by Sun 27° 06' W.

Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the North and fine weather. Employ  
ed setting up the back stay &c, painting the main mast &c. At 4 Pm hauled  
up N West. At 7 Pm lowered & took a sunfish. Middle part the same  
as the first. At 8 Am made the Islands of Graciosa bearing N by W  
Latter part very light airy and hazy weather. The watch employed  
felling the Spritsail yard. Lat by 39° 37' North. - End -



Ship Crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of W. Bedford Bounds on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean - Remarks.

Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light ~~air~~ and cloudy with now & then a small  
Breeze. At 6 Pm the Island St. George bore S West - Graciosa  
bore S W by West - & Terceira S by West distance unknown  
Middle & latter part strong breeze from the South and breezes -  
Saw a Portuguese boat adrift. went to her and found a lot of seivies  
I can. then we after taking the show and a few other things we went  
about our Business again - saw a number of vessels - At 12 Pm the  
Northwest point of Graciosa bore S W by West distant 4 leagues - Sailing  
Drove out in the after hold after Chase butter bilk &c

Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant baffling winds and moderate weather  
At 2 Pm spoke the Sally Ann of W. Bedford with 45 bbls oil  
water out reported the same with 60 bbls - At sunset the N West point of  
Graciosa bore S W by W & West and day the Northwest point of  
St. Geo bore S W by W & W & Middle & latter part thick rainy weather  
with the winds from S W. At 9 Pm run in under the lee of Graciosa and  
sent a boat in and got a few potatoes, onions, returned and made sail  
for the Islands of Terceira. Lat by acct 38° 59' North - disposed of 43  
seivies at 10 cents each - End the day Steering East

Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from S West and cloudy made the  
Islands of Terceira bearing S by South - stood in till 7 Pm then  
tacked to the west. At sunset the N E point bore S E & East the  
North point S by West distance uncertain being cloudy Middle & latter  
part pleasant gale and cloudy - Saw several ships and Schooner to day  
At <sup>noon</sup> sunset the N E point of Terceira bore S W distant 15 miles -  
Lat by 39° 00' North End the day in ships duty -



Ship Ceres and Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Oceans Helmark &c  
Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the West  
and fine weather. Saw four Ships but did  
not speak either. Employed in Ships duty. At sunset the  
East point of Terceira bore N N W  $\frac{1}{2}$  West and the East point  
West  $\frac{1}{2}$  South each distant 4 leagues. Middle & latter part fine weath-  
er but light winds. Lat by 38° 14' North. End the day in Ships duty.  
Mr Smith sick

Monday July 6<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NW and fine weather.  
Sailed the North - at 5 P.M. spoke bark Octavia 28 days from Honn-  
olm. at sunset parted company and stand to the West. Middle &  
latter part calm and light - fair rain &c. The watch employed  
in Ships duty. Nothing occurred to day worthy of notice.  
Three Islands in sight. Mr Smith sick

Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the North and pleasant weather.  
Standing along on the wind towards the Islands of Pico. The  
watch employed in various duties. At sunset the Islands of  
Terceira bore N E by East distant 8 leagues. And St George N  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  West distant 10 leagues. Caught a large Sunfish.  
Middle & latter part light airs from the Eastward and fine  
weather. Lat by 38° 14' North Long 27° 44' West Three ships  
in sight. Mr Smith quite smart

Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs and calms standing in between St  
George & Terceira. Saw a Sunfish but could not catch him.  
At sunset the East point of St Ge<sup>o</sup> bore N by E distant 5 leagues  
and the West point of Terceira N by E distant 6 leagues. Middle  
& latter part light airs variable. Saw Blackfish & got two. End the  
day clearing away.

Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the North & East and cloudy. Finishing  
clearing away the Blackfish and washed off. At sunset the West  
point of Terceira bore of N E by E East and the E point of St Ge<sup>o</sup>  
N N West distant each about 4 leagues. Middle & latter part pleas-  
ant gales from the N East and fine weather. Beating up between  
St Ge<sup>o</sup> & Terceira. Three or four Ships in sight all this day.  
The watch employed making Spunyan &c. Lat by 38° 46' N  
Long by Chronometer 27° 29' West and by Acct 27° 27' West  
End the day in Ships duty. Standing in towards St Ge<sup>o</sup>



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a Whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic Indian Ocean. About the Western Islands &c  
(Friday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1835)

Commenced with pleasant gales from  
the N East and fine weather. The watch  
employed making Spunwarms. At Sun-  
set the Middle of Terceira bore N East  
distant 20 miles and the Middle of  
Graciosa N by West. Middle & Latter lights  
airs from the N East and pleasant weather for  
the greater part. Four Ships in sight. The  
watch employed in Ship's duty.

Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light airs from the N E and  
fine weather. The watch employed in Ship's  
duty. About 5 PM Capt Merrill came on board  
and Maids till evening had taken 80 lbs  
Sperm oil since leaving Bedford. At 8 PM  
he went on board and stood to the Eastward. We  
are now lying aback the East point of Terceira  
bearing South distant 6 Leagues. Now 10 PM  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first.  
End of the day steering to the S East and boiling  
out our Whackfish. No Latitude nor Longitude  
Caught a large Sunfish this morning.

Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Started water out of the  
main hatchway to day.

Commenced with very light airs from the N W  
and fine weather. The watch employed in  
Ship's duty. Steering S East for St Michael's  
No Whales No Nothing. The South west part of  
Terceira bore Northwest at Sunset dist 20 miles  
Middle & Latter part pleasant gales from S West. At  
daylight made St Michael's bearing N by East.  
End of the day in Ship's duty. Set four 5 m Steadman

Monday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the South  
west and fine weather. Running down the  
Islands of St Michael's. At Sunset the Mid-  
dle of St Michael's bay bore N W West and the  
N E point S East distant each 4 Leagues.  
Middle & Latter part fair breezes but light  
steering to the South. The bark Clance  
of our sea bore. Lat N by 36.00 North.  
The watch employed making Scrub brooms  
So End of the day.



Ship Curacao Capt. Barker of Bedford Bound on a whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic & Indian Oceans. Itinerary  
Tuesday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light airs and pleasant weather  
standing across between St. Michael's and  
St. Mary's. Several small craft in sight.  
About 4 Pm a fresh breeze sprang up from the  
West at 5 the baric kept off South and  
we continued on toward St. Mary's.  
At sunset took in topgallant sails and down  
- he reefed the top sails St. Mary's bearing by  
Compass S by West. The wind hauling to the  
North. Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part pleasant gales and fine weather.  
Sailing round the Island of St. Mary's. Lat  
Obs 36° 54 North. The East point of St. Mary's  
bearing North distant 2 Leagues So Ends.

Wednesday July 15<sup>th</sup>

Beef & Flour

Commenced with pleasant breezes from WNW  
and fine weather. At 1 Pm hauled down  
wind again for St. Michael's - passed the  
baric this afternoon - At sunset the East  
point of St. Michael's bore N by East distant  
5 Leagues. At 8 Pm Tacked to the West  
saw two small craft standing toward the  
Islands of St. Michael's. Middle part fresh gales  
from NW and cloudy. Beating up to port del galder.  
Latter part light airs and pleasant weather. The  
watch employed in various duties. No Lat nor Long  
tude to day. So Ends.

Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light baffling airs and pleasant  
weather. Beating up to the port of St. Michael's.  
The watch employed in various duties. At sunset  
the East point of the Island bore E by North the  
west do South by West distant a good long pull.  
Middle & latter part light airs and fine weather.  
At daylight kept off for the port of St. Michael's  
but the winds being light the Capt took a boat  
and started for the shore about 1/2 past 6 am.  
Ends the day starting off for the harbor.



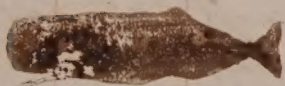
Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Parker of New Bedford, Cruising for  
Sperm about the Western Islands. *Remaster*

Friday July 17<sup>th</sup> Commenced with light airs and fine weather  
standing off and on the harbor of St Michael  
Isle. At sunset the Capt came off and we  
brought off four boys & some other refreshments  
made sail and stood off shore till 1200  
hauled the main yards aback and let lay. Middle  
watch part pleasant gale and fine weather  
Lat by 37° 48' North Long 25° 02' West  
Ende the day in Ship's duty.

Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable airs and Calms  
Employed in Ship's duty. At sunset the  
NW point of St Michael bore W by North  
Now 9 PM and Calm. Middle watch part  
light airs from the South and Calms. Steering  
by West when we steer at all at all.  
Have seen plenty of Porpoises and Albicoris  
but no whales of any description and I do not  
know as ever we shall for I for my part am  
almost discouraged. Lat by 37° 57' North  
Ende the day in Ship's duty.

Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with pleasant weather but no  
winds. The watch employed in Ship's duty  
One Ship in sight. At sunset the NE  
point of St Michael bore S W by West and the  
SE point bore S W by West. The nearest  
land being distant about four Leagues.  
Middle part more airish, bound up to Sirocra  
Saw a Bark this morning supposed to be the  
Prudent. Latter part pleasant gale and fine  
weather saw two Sperm Whales, lowered and  
got them both. Ende the day towing them to  
the ship.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford bounds on a whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean. Remarks &c  
Monday July 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with a fine breeze from the Westward  
and fine weather got our last whale along  
side about 2 P.M. Got dinner. After dinner com-  
menced cutting but did not do much. At  
8 P.M. set four watches and knocked off work.  
Another ship in sight to night  
Middle part squally from the N.W. Called out  
sandy and commenced cutting. Latter part  
rugged with the wind from the N.E. East  
cut off both heads and got one body in and  
a cruel time we had of it I assure you  
End the day cutting

Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup> 1835

Commenced with strong gale and squally from  
N.E. East. Finished cutting in the last body  
about 5 P.M. and a terrible time we had  
of it too. So rugged we dare not undertake  
with the heads. Clewed up the Fore & Mizzen  
Topsails Double reefed the Main & hauled it  
aback and set the lee claw of the Foresail  
Middle part the same as the first. At 8 P.M.  
set the watch and commenced boiling. Latter  
part rugged. Saw the land at daylight bear-  
ing West distant 15 miles. Wind from S.E.  
So that we cannot cut and must either  
carry sail or go on shore. End the day  
boiling. \* Lying by the heads  
\* Towing them

Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Pork

Commenced with strong gale from the N.E. and  
very rugged. Towing our heads and carrying  
sails to keep off the land. At 4 P.M. one head  
broke adrift. Lowered and took it alongside  
again. And at sunset it parted and went  
again but we could not save it the land only  
15 or 6 miles off on our starboard and we dare not stop  
for it. Employed boiling. Middle part much  
the same as the first. Latter part more moder-  
ate. At 3 A.M. parted from the other heads.  
Made sail and about sunrise found it again  
and took it alongside. Got breakfast and began  
to cut off the junk and end the day with our  
junk safe on deck. That is more than I expected  
at daylight. Two ships in sight.



Ship *Care* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barton of Bedford Cruising for  
Sperm about the Western Islands. February 1835  
Thursday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835.

Killed a *Sperm* today

Comm<sup>d</sup> with moderate gale and  
breezy weather - Employed boiling the  
whale case - and boiling - At Sunset Point  
Terreira bore E & East distant three Leagues  
The wind hauling to the N West and squally  
Middle part more pleasant but cloudy  
 Latter part the same, employed boiling the  
whale - St Michael bore E by North distant  
5 Leagues. Ende this 24 hours boiling

Friday July 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the N West and  
squally. Finished boiling the body and  
commenced upon the head; but about 5 PM  
it rained so that we had to cool the works  
down. (and a pretty mess there was too)  
Spoke Ship General Pike no oil did not  
board - At 8 PM hauled up the Foresail  
and close reefed the Main topsails - Set four  
watetops - Middle part much the same as the  
first - Latter part pleasant - at daylight started  
the work again - Steering by the wind to the  
N West towards Terceira. Ende the day boil-  
ing

Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup>

Spent water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the N East  
and fine weather. Employed boiling - Saw  
some Grampus to night. Finished boiling and  
washed off the deck &c. The whale turned up  
about 11 PM. Saw Terceira at Sunset bearing  
N by North - Middle part calm Latter part  
pleasant gale from the N East fine weather  
Saw two barks standing towards St Michael  
Ende the day steering towards St George Lat  
by 38° 36' North



Ship Crews 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Medford Cruising around  
the Western Islands      Remarks &c      1835

Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup> Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine  
weather. At 2 PM the wind hauled to the S.W.  
Saw some blackfish but did not lower  
At sunset the S.W. part of Saccia bore S.W. by  
E. the E. point of St George S.W. by E. west  
and the S.W. point of Pico S.W. by S. North  
Whales in the morning. The fore  
Middle part nearly calm. Saw two sail to  
windward. No whales. Latter part light air  
from the S.E. and cloudy. Ende the day  
in Ship's duty.

Monday July 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and cloudy from  
the S.E. Beating up between St George  
and Saccia. Saw a part of whales carcass  
and dead whale by this afternoon. Saw a ship  
standing to the S.E. at sunset the S.W. point  
of St George bore S.W. by E. west and E. point  
S.W. Saccia E. by S. North weather point and  
Graciosa North. Middle part the same as  
the first. At 7 PM saw breaches and towers  
but they proved to be Grampus. Saw two  
ships one the Sally and the other we took to be  
the Cicero. Ende the day standing towards  
Fayal.

Tuesday July 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with moderate breeze from the S.E.  
and pleasant weather. Spoke ship Huda  
of Sag Harbor had landed 25000 oil at  
Fayal. Steering S.W. for the S.W. point of  
Fayal. At sunset the point bore S.W. by  
E. distant 12 miles. Beaced up the yard and  
hauled off shore to the Northward.  
Most Sick. Middle part equally took in top  
Sails and mainsail. Latter part pleasant gale  
and fine weather. Employed coopersing & filling  
up our oil. At 1/2 past 11 AM saw the Islands of  
Flores bearing S.W. by N. distant 12 leagues.  
Lat 0 by 39. 20 North. Ende the day coopersing.



Ship crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Crossising  
around the Western Islands Remarks for 1835

Wednesday July 29<sup>th</sup> Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the SE East  
and fine weather Employed coopersing & filling  
up the oil - Saw porpoise and Grampuss  
Finished coopersing about 4 Pm - turned out about  
108 barrels - Washed off the deck &c and got  
dusted. At Sunset the Island of St. Mary bore  
N by N - and Corvo N by West distant seven  
Leagues - Middle part light air and equally  
Spoke Ship Poranna of London out forward with  
700 bbls oil - Latter part pleasant gale and  
cloudy - End the day Standing to the NW

Bread

Spent water

Thursday July 30<sup>th</sup>

Killed a hog

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the SE East  
fine weather - Saw Grampuss porpoise & blackfish  
At 6 Pm Spoke Ship Bengal Master of Salem  
18 days out no oil - Got a late paper and one letter  
At 9 Pm parted company - Middle part equally  
At 7 Am rose whales and chased but Johnny Bull  
scared him away - Came on board again & made  
sail - Latter part pleasant gale and fine  
weather Standing over towards Corvo -  
Three ships in sight - End the day in  
Ship's duty

Friday July 31<sup>st</sup>

Porter

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather  
Employed beating up towards Corvo -  
At Sunset the middle of Corvo bore N by E  
distant 20 miles - Middle & Latter part calm  
& equally occasionally - Four ships in sight -  
Corvo bearing E by E distant 20 miles -  
Saw some Grampuss and Cornfish - End  
the day drawing & stowing yarn



Ship Cur and Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a Whaling  
Voyage to the Atlantic Indian Ocean Nov off the Western Islands  
Saturday Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and now there  
a calm is At 3 Pm being handy to the land  
went in with a boat to get some potatoes  
but they would not let us trade without  
paying port charges £75 so I came off as I was  
At 6 Pm saw Blackfish I chased but did not  
get fast At Sunset the Islands of Cur  
bon East distant 25 miles Middle part  
the same as the first Spoke the Friendship of  
Fairhaven 21 days out no oil is Latter part pleas  
ant gales and fine weather from the North  
Lat by 39° 41 North Long 31° 25 West

Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine  
weather from the Westward is Employed  
looking for whals - At 6 Pm spoke the Cur  
of Bedford with 100 bbls oil - Also the  
Adam 130 - and the Thames of Sag Harbor  
40 bbls - Got a few letters & some papers  
At 8 Pm parted company - Middle & Latter  
part pleasant gales from the Westward and fine  
weather - Fourteen ships in sight too thick for  
us and we are now on our way to Fayal is Lat  
by 39° 22 North Ende the day Steering by  
the winds to the N East

Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather  
from the west - Steering for Fayal is At Sunset  
the middle of Cur bon North  $\frac{1}{2}$  East and the  
middle of St. Louis N  $\frac{1}{2}$  West distant 10 Leagues  
Two Sail in sight at sunset - Middle part very  
light air but pleasant weather - At 7 Am raised whals  
and chased but the winds being light did not  
get any but fastened to two the Snow came out  
Came on board I kept off after the whals Latter  
pleasant with light gales from the Westward  
Ende the day Chasing whals with the Ship  
Two Ships in sight



Ship *Ceres* and Capt Barker of New Bedford bound on a Whaling  
 Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Oceans Now at the Western Islands  
 Remarks Tuesday Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835



Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from Westward  
 and pleasant weather Chasing whaly with  
 a F.M. Studdard sail out At 3 Pm lowered  
 and chased with the boat. Toward <sup>night</sup> struck  
 I killed two little nasty whaly (which will take  
 more fat to try one hind leg than the whole body is worth  
 while the Friendship's boats came down and got  
 three without any trouble. O's dear is this our luck  
 I hope not again. Took over to the ship and got all  
 snug and set 4 watches. Struck six whaly to  
 day I got two. Middle part fresh breezes from the  
 North & cloudy & calms all hands at daylight  
 and out in one I have the other whaly in whole  
 Latter part the same as the middle. Ende the  
 day clearing the decks and washing them off.

Wednesday August 4<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the NE  
 and squally. Employed chasing Grampsey  
 which we thought were whaly. The Friend  
 ship and two other sail in sight. Steering by  
 the wind to the ESE. Have seen a great  
 many Grampsey but no whaly to day.  
 Middle part the same as the first. At day  
 light started a fire. Latter part pleasant  
 saw the Islands of Pico bearing ENE distant  
 15 leagues. Employed boiling. One sail in  
 sight. Ende the day boiling with the wind  
 from ESE.

Thursday August 5<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and cloudy. Employed  
 boiling. Three sail in sight. One a merchant  
 ship, set Yankee colors. At sunset Fayal bou  
 E by N distant 7 leagues. Finished boiling about  
 6 Pm and got washed off and all snug about  
 8 Pm. The whaly made about 20 Hogsheads.  
 O's winds at all a most. Middle part light  
 air & variable. Latter part much the same.  
 At daylight the Islands of Fayal bou ENE  
 distant 15 leagues. Two ships in sight.  
 Have seen Grampsey 3 or 4 times to day and tomorrow  
 now we reckon we shall see whaly. Employed  
 getting the oil ready to send on shore tomorrow  
 in case we can get there.



Ship *Sires 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of New Bedford bound on a whaling  
voyage to the Atlantic Indian Ocean. Now at the Western Islands  
Friday Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1835

Beef Water & Flour  
Molasses—

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the ESE  
and pleasant weather. Employed fitting  
the oil &c At sunset the middle of Pico  
bore ESE  $\frac{1}{2}$  East & the middle of Fayal bore  
N E by E  $\frac{1}{2}$  East. The passage between East P  
The Lands 10 or 12 Leagues off some 5 Leagues  
The wind hauling to the Southw<sup>d</sup>. Middle  
Latter part much the same as the first. Beat  
up toward the harbor of Fayal under all sail  
Ends the day Coopering the oil &c

Saturday Aug 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the East  
and pleasant weather. Finished Coopering  
and washed off. A boat came off from the  
shore and we traded for fruit, onions, eggs  
&c At 7 Am spoke the *Finelon* with 60 bbl  
oil. Now 8 Am & lying off and on the harbor  
of Fayal. The Capt on board of the *Finelon*  
The Northwest point of Pico bearing E  $\frac{1}{2}$  North  
and the harbor of Fayal N W by West. Middle  
& Latter part pleasant gales and fine weather  
At 8 Am the Capt went on shore and at 10 Am  
the lighter came off and took our oil on board  
amounting in all to 124 bbl & 24 gallons. Ends  
the day lying off & on the harbor of Fayal in  
company with the *Friendship of Fairhaven*  
she also landed fifty barrels oil

Sunday Aug 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather  
The Capt on shore and a happy set on board  
I assure you. Washed off the decks and got all  
snug. At 5 Pm spoke the *Parkes* with no oil  
At 8 Pm the Capt came off with a few more  
happy ones ~~and~~ but left two boys (White and  
Wilson) on shore. Rum, Rum, Rum. Still  
lying off and on Fayal. Middle part very light  
air and variable. Latter part strong breeze  
from the Southward beating up the passage between  
Fayal & Pico. So ends the day. Getting better  
fast is



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a Whaling Voyage  
To the South Atlantic & Indian Ocean. Now at the West<sup>n</sup> Islands

Monday Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 1839 Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes and squally from  
the S. & West. At 4 Pm got in handy to the port  
sent the boat in after the boys that were out of  
the way last night. At 2 Pm we returned with  
them and spoke the Commodore *Peatur* with  
25 bbls blackfish oil. Squared in the yard and  
steered off for Graciosa at 4 Pm took in the  
and let her go easy. Steering N. East. At 6<sup>o</sup> bearing  
1/2 West distant 10 or 12 miles. Middle part light  
air and thick hazy weather. At daylight saw  
Graciosa bearing E. & East. Latter part the same as  
the middle. Employed building a potatoe bin in  
the storeroom. The winds from the Eastward. Spoke  
a Portuguese brig - no interest

Tuesday Aug 11<sup>th</sup>

Porter

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light breezes from E. & East and  
foggy rainy weather. Steering to the East with  
all sails out. At sunset tacked to the northward  
At 8 Pm saw the Islands of Terceira bearing E. &  
East. Middle & latter part strong breezes from  
the Eastward at daylight saw the City of Angora  
bearing E. by South distant 3 leagues. Tied off  
South for St Michael and took in the sails.  
Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Wednesday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>

Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the East. Wind  
and weather Employed in Ship's duty. Steering  
South for St Michael. At sunset saw the *Vasco*  
bearing South by East. distant 30 miles. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part much  
the same. Unbent the fly jib & main & the sail & re-  
vised it. Bent the old main & top gallant sail. Em-  
ployed in various duties. No land in sight today  
Lat 06° 36' 49" North Long at 9 am 26° 59' West  
Ends the day by tacking Ship to the South.



Ship *Crescent* Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a whaling  
Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Oceans - Now cruising about the West  
Thursday August 13<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with fresh gales from the East &  
brought weather - Standing to the South and  
all sail - Brought the Flying jib & set it - At  
4 P.M. tacked to the S.E. - Have seen plenty  
of Grampuses today - Middle part the same  
as the first - Latter part pleasant gales from  
the East and fine weather - Saw the land  
at 10 A.M. bearing S by South - Employed  
repairing the main & fore sails - Latter fore  
Latitude by 38° 15' North Long by 26° 21' W  
Ende the day by tacking ship to the South -  
Strong current setting to the S.W.

Friday Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with pleasant gales from the East  
East and fine weather - Employed repairing  
the main & fore sails - making Spun yarn &c  
At 4 P.M. very light baffling air - Spoke the  
Fenelon nothing more than when we saw  
her before - Steering by the Wind to the Southward  
At Sunset the Land bore S.E. distant  
40 miles - Middle part the same - Latter  
part pleasant with light baffling air -  
Two sail in sight - Employed making  
Spun yarn &c - Beating up toward the  
Islands of St. Michael - So ended the day

Saturday Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable air & cloudy  
rainy wet, nasty weather - Improving every  
favorable flow of wind - beating up to the S.W.  
At Sunset the S.W. point bearing S.E. and  
the west point S.E. 1/2 South the nearest  
land being about 15 miles distant - Middle  
part strong breezes from the East & and rainy -  
Latter part Rainy & equally light air &c - Employed washing  
Ship - Have not seen the Land this forenoon -  
Saved about 20 bbls of rain water - Ende the day in  
the rain & fog



Ship *Circus 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of Bedford bound on a Whaling  
Voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Oceans. Belmar, N. J. 1835  
Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the South & rain  
at 2 Pm the winds hauled to S West & and lighted  
up so that we saw the land bearing N E by E  
distant 25 miles. Kept off St Michaels At 6 Pm  
the winds backed into the East again. At  
sunset point delgada bore E. East distant 7  
leagues. The North West point N N E &  
Middle & latter part rainy & squally. About  
11 Am it cleared up and the Captain went on  
Shore to get our refreshments. Ende the day  
lying off & on the harbor of St. Michaels.

Monday August 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs and pleasant weather  
from the Eastward. Lying off & on the harbor  
of St. Michaels. The Capt on shore.  
At 7 Pm the Captain returned but could not get  
any recruits it being Sunday. Middle & latter  
part light airs and variable. At 9 Am the Capt  
went on shore again after our refreshments.  
Ende the day lying off & on the harbor.

Tuesday August 18<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light variable airs and pleasant  
weather. Waiting for our recruits to come off.  
About 2 Pm the launch came off with them took  
them on board and down tack to beat up to the  
harbor. the winds having hauled to the S. West.  
At 7 Pm the Capt came off & had a man to  
leave him Charley Graham by name. Shipped  
two Portuguese, and are now standing out  
to the South. Middle & latter part light airy  
and calm. Employed taking care of things  
which came from the shore. No Lat Nor Long  
to day (both run out). So Ende the day.



Ship *Perseus* Capt. Bartolo of New Bedford bound on a whaling  
voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean. Now bound as light whaling  
Wednesday Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1835

Put away for the Cape  
De Verre Islands

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the Westward  
and pleasant weather. At 2 PM pleasant  
gale from N.W. West. At 6 PM set the Fore &  
mast Studd<sup>n</sup> sails, and steer S.E. 1/2 East  
At sunset the East point of St. Mary's bore  
by E 1/2 East. Middle part pleasant breeze  
and cloudy. Latter part pleasant gale and  
fine weather. Steering South when the wind  
will let us. Employed drawing & knotting yarns  
Lat by 36° 18' North Long by Chronometer  
23° 20' West Saw several sail to day  
End the day in ship's duty

Thursday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the S.W.  
& N.W. West and fine weather. Employed filling  
the rigging drawing & knotting yarns &c. Steering  
by the wind to the South & East. Middle part  
pleasant with calm & light air. Latter part light  
air from the South and pleasant weather. Set all  
the Studd<sup>n</sup> sails and steered by East until the  
under Lat by 35° 03' North Long by Chronometer  
22° 59' West. Carpenter employed sheathing the  
deck. The rest employed in ship's duty  
So End the day

Friday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

(Beef & Pork opened)  
to day

Started Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the North  
and fine weather. Steering South under all sail  
Saw a bark steering about N.W. West. The car-  
penter employed sheathing the deck. Cooper  
making bungs. The rest at work in and about  
the rigging. At 6 PM kept off by West. Middle & Latter part small air from the North  
Employed sheathing the deck and filling the  
blocks, knotting & drawing yarns &c. Steering  
South by West. End the day as usual. Latitude  
by 33° 36' North Long 22° 11' West by the  
Chronometer



Ship crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of W. Bedford Bound from the Western  
towards the Cape Verde Islands Remarks &c 1835

Saturday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light breeze from the N.E. East  
and fine weather. Employed fitting blocks  
about 4 P.M. Steering to the South and West under  
a cloud of sail. Middle part pleasant gale  
from the N.E. East and fine weather. Latter  
part fresh breeze and pleasant weather.  
The watch employed in Ship's duty.  
Lat Ob 31.00 North Long 21.40 West  
End the day in Ship's duty.  
Saw a brig Steering to the N.E. East Westward.

Sunday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale and cloudy from the  
N.E. East. The watch employed washing & mending  
their clothes &c. The old ship peeling off 788  
knots per hour. Steering South by Compass.  
Middle part squally from the Eastward.  
Took in fore & main & Studd<sup>d</sup> sails and  
flying jib. Latter part more pleasant. Set the  
Studd<sup>d</sup> sails & fly jib. At 10 am set the S. & M. Studd<sup>d</sup>  
sail. Latitude Ob 28.20 North Long by Chron-  
ometer 20.53 West End the day Steering  
South. Saw a ship Steering about S.W.

Monday Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breeze from E. & East &  
cloudy. At 4 P.M. set the lower studd<sup>d</sup> sail  
Steering South by Compass. Nothing been seen  
to day. At 7 A.M. took in the studd<sup>d</sup> sail and  
let her go. Middle part much the same as  
the first. Latter part pleasant gale from the  
N.E. East and fine weather. Employed overhaul-  
ing blocks picking over potatoes &c. The Cooper  
employed making piss. At 8 am set the  
studd<sup>d</sup> sail again. Saw a bark Steering about  
S.W. Lat Ob 25.53 North Long 20.16 W  
End the day Steering S by East.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bound from  
The Western Towards the Cape De Vied ~~Islands~~ <sup>Islands</sup>  
Tuesday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1835

Green Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale from the East  
and hazy Smoky weather. Employed in  
Various duties. Steering by East with all  
sail out is Middle part fresh gale and  
squally. Took in the Studd<sup>n</sup> sail and  
flying jibbs. Latter part strong breeze and  
pleasant weather. Employed tarring the  
rigging &c &c. Oh Dear Where is all the  
Whales. Lat by 23° 10' North Long  
by Chronometer 19° 03' West. Ends  
the day in ship's duty.

Wednesday Aug 26<sup>th</sup> 1835

Whalasses started  
to day

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and hazy  
thick weather from the East. Set  
the F M Lower Studd<sup>n</sup> sail. Employed  
in various duties. Kept off S West.  
At 8 Pm kept off S West and took in the Lower  
Studd<sup>n</sup> sail. Middle part moderate gale and  
thick weather. At 7 Am hauled up S West again.  
Latter part more pleasant with light gale.  
Saw Blackfish and porpoise but no whales.  
The watch employed painting spars & tarring the  
rigging. Lat by 20° 46' North Long by Chronom<sup>eter</sup>  
19° 47' West. Ends the day in ship's duty.

Thursday Aug 27<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the East and thick  
smoky weather. The watch employed in various  
duties. At 1 Pm kept off S West again. Set the  
Lower & S Studd<sup>n</sup> sail and let her go. Middle  
part calm & very light air. Latter part light air  
from the East and smoky weather. The watch  
employed painting spars &c &c. Ends the day  
steering to the S West. Saw Squids & porpoise  
Albion & Kippack and a small land bird.  
Lat by 19° 20' North Long 20° 16' West.



Ship Crews 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford's Bounds from the West<sup>n</sup>  
Mandy Towards the Cape De Verde Remark &c 1835  
Friday Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant but light breezes from the N<sup>o</sup> East and thick cloudy weather. The watch employed making morning &c. A brig in sight steering about S<sup>o</sup> West by S<sup>o</sup>. At 7 AM hauled up S<sup>o</sup> by West. Middle part pleasant gale and cloudy. The watch employed in various duties. Saw Blackfish going quick to the N<sup>o</sup> East. Lat by (sumping) 18<sup>o</sup> 07' North Long by Chronometer 21<sup>o</sup> 50' West. End the day steering to the S<sup>o</sup> by West.

Saturday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>

Barrel of Vinegar  
broached to day

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and cloudy weather. The watch employed in Ship's duty. At 3 AM kept off S<sup>o</sup> West again and in the forenoon expected we shall see the Isle of Cab if the wind stands. At 6 AM took in the Lower Studdensail. At 12 AM hauled our wind with maintop sail to the mast. Middle part light air and thick weather. Latter part strong gale and cloudy. At 8 AM saw the Isle of Cab bearing W by N distant 10 Leagues. Lat by 16<sup>o</sup> 45' North. End the day in Ship's duty.

Sunday Aug 30<sup>th</sup>

Started water

Saw Blackfish

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from N<sup>o</sup> East and squally. At 3 PM it being pleasant sent a boat in to get (catch) some fish. At 5 PM the boat returned with 12 little fish being all we could catch. At sunset braced up the after yards and luffed to the wind with the head yards aback. The West point of Salt Islands bearing S<sup>o</sup> by West and the East point N<sup>o</sup> by East the nearest land being distant about 4 leagues. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant gale & cloudy. At 7 AM kept off West for St Nicholas at 11 AM saw it bearing S<sup>o</sup> by West. Lat by 16<sup>o</sup> 26' N. End the day in Ship's duty.



Ship Crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising about the  
Cape Verde Islands. Remarks &c 1835.

Monday Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NE  
and cloudy. Running for St Nicholas's  
bay. At sunset took in sail and hauled  
our winds to the Eastward and hauled up  
our courses. Have seen nothing but porpoises  
at sunset the East point bore N by East and the  
Y point W by South. Middle part the same.  
at 12 o'clock tacked in again. Latter part pleasant  
gales and cloudy. At daylight made sail and  
stood in to the bay. At 10 am spoke the Triton  
of Portland 34 days out no oil. did not  
board. Kept away for Fogo. Latitude of  
16<sup>o</sup> 15' North. Employed setting up the  
Mizen rigging. To End the day. Saw some  
Blackfish and caught a porpoise.

Tuesday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

Opened a cask of Bread

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and cloudy.  
Running for the Island of Fogo. The  
watch employed in ships duty. At 6 Am  
saw the land bearing N East distant 7 leagues.  
Took in the Top gallant sails & courses jib & spank  
and let her go N East till 10 Am then tacked off  
shore till 2 Am. Middle part pleasant in  
Latter part much the same. At daylight found  
ourselves to be off St Agas kept off west for Fogo  
but the wind being light did not get over to the  
Island time enough to go ashore this day.  
End the day in Ships duty.

Wednesday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

Beef opened

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the Eastward and  
cloudy. Running round the Island of Fogo.  
At 4 Am the breeze left us and a half past four  
took a light breeze from the N East. headed her  
off shore but did not send in a boat. At sunset  
the middle of Fogo bore N E and Blava bore  
N West. At 8 Am pleasant gales from E N East  
and squalls of rain. Standing to the N East.  
At 12 o'clock tacked in. And at daylight kept off  
for the town. At 8 Am sent the boat in with some  
old bread to trade for hogs. Latter part squally.  
End the day lying off Don Fogo.



Ship (Cres 2<sup>nd</sup>) Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of New Bedford Bound from the Cape  
Verd Islands Towards the Right Whale Grounds & Remarks &c  
Thursday Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Started water

Commenced with squally from the East<sup>n</sup> At  
1 P.M. the boat returned from the shore with  
6 Pigs - Made sail but could not weather any  
Blava so we squared away and ran down  
through between Brava & Logo and at sunset  
the N.W. point of Logo bore S by East and the  
rock off Brava bore S by West and here we  
are with N.E. trade blowing from the West<sup>n</sup>  
standing off on the wind to the N.W. Middle  
& latter part fresh breezy and squally from the  
eastward At 5 P.M. hauled up South and set the  
Fore Mast and Main Studdard sails Employed  
in ship's duty Lat by acct 14.00 North  
End the day steering South by East.

One hand off duty

Friday Sep 4<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with pleasant gales from the East<sup>n</sup>  
and fine weather The watch employed rattling  
the Main rigging &c - Saw a ship standing to  
the North At 6 P.M. set the Fore Studdard sail  
and let her go S by East Middle & latter part  
squally from the East<sup>n</sup> The watch employed  
in ship's duty steering S by East with all  
sail out Lat by 12.28 North Long by the  
Chronometer 24.27 West End the day  
as usual Oh Dear There is all the  
Whales, whales we want & what we must  
have & Understand.

Saturday Sep 5<sup>th</sup>

Opened a barrel of Flour  
a Keg of Butter to day

Commenced with pleasant gales and fine weather  
The watch employed making worming out of  
towline At 6 P.M. took a squall from all  
round the house - took in the Studdard sails  
and the sails flying jib &c After a while the  
wind hauled to the N.E. again & hauled  
up S by South Middle part variable winds  
and rainy squally dirty weather trying to get to  
the South Latter part light air from the  
Southward and pleasant weather standing to the  
Eastward Employed making worming &c &c  
Lat by 11.30 North Long by Chronom 24.00 W  
End the day in ship's duty



Ship *Perseus* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of W<sup>m</sup> Bedford Bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean. To Master &c  
Sunday Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1835

Here the N<sup>E</sup> trades  
left us

Started water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light variable airs and  
equally rainy - Employed sailing ship  
At 4 Pm the winds hauled to the S<sup>W</sup> West  
Took in Mizzen T<sup>l</sup> Sail & flying jib and let  
her go - Middle part much the same -  
Latter part more pleasant with light airs from  
the N<sup>W</sup> made all sail and steered S<sup>W</sup> East  
East Employed sailing ship - Lat by 10<sup>h</sup> 56  
North - Long by D<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>h</sup> 20<sup>m</sup> West. Ends the day  
in Ship's duty - Took in the studd<sup>r</sup> sails

Monday Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs & variable weather  
At 2 Pm took a squall of wind and rain from  
the S<sup>W</sup> West which lasted about two hours and then  
we had the N<sup>W</sup> West winds again - Kept off S<sup>W</sup> East  
At 7 Pm set the S<sup>m</sup> studd<sup>r</sup> sail again, Middle  
Latter part pleasant gales and passable  
weather. Saw a ship steering to the South  
West - The watch employed drawing water  
ting yarns &c Cooper employed making  
liers - Lat by 9<sup>h</sup> 45<sup>m</sup> North Ends the day  
steering South by East - Saw a finback  
Long by Chronometer - 21<sup>h</sup> 23<sup>m</sup> West

Tuesday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales and pleasant  
from the N<sup>W</sup> West<sup>d</sup> - Saw a finback  
and just at night saw what we called a  
Sperm whale a good distance off but it  
was so near night they gave us the dodge  
Now 8 Pm and squally the old ship is  
off - Middle part fresh breeze from the N<sup>W</sup>  
and cloudy - steering South by East - Latter  
part squally the wind hauling to the N<sup>W</sup> West  
Employed in Ship's duty - Long by Acet  
20<sup>h</sup> 25<sup>m</sup> West Lat by 7<sup>h</sup> 38<sup>m</sup> North Ends the  
day in Ship's duty -



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>n</sup> Barker of Abbeville Bound toward  
the Right Whale Grounds Remarks &c 1835.

Tuesday Sep<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from  
the S<sup>W</sup> West and quite passable weather  
Sent down the Mizen Topsail repaired &c  
and bent it again. Looks rather squally  
guess we are going to have some rain &  
Harder winds for this country. Apogee  
Middle part much the same as the first  
Latter part more pleasant with fine breezes from  
the S<sup>W</sup> West. At 5 A.M. tacked to the west  
Employed in various duties. Bent the  
Jou Spencer and done several other trifling  
jobs Lat 22° 03' North Long 14° 10' West  
End of the day Steering by the wind to the  
West<sup>ward</sup>

Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>

Started water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from S<sup>W</sup> W  
and cloudy. The watch employed in  
various duty standing to the West<sup>ward</sup>  
Middle part cloudy with pleasant gales  
from the South. Latter part squally. Packed  
out in the After hold after meat to cooper &c  
and took up 28 W<sup>g</sup> Beef & Pork. The watch  
employed making some Spungeln setting up the  
main stay &c &c Lat 1° 20' North Long

Thursday Sep<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South &  
cloudy. Cooper employed cooping meat. The  
rest employed breaking out for the shops.  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
part strong breezes and cloudy Steering by the  
wind to the West and South. Employed  
cooping our meat. Latter part Lat 28  
miles North Long 17° 50' West. End of the  
day in ship duty is cloudy



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of Bedford Bound on a whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean To Ensign V<sup>c</sup>  
Friday Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine  
weather. All hands employed turning  
in and setting up the fore & main rigging.  
Finished the Starboard rigging and chains  
up the decks - Middle part pleasant gale  
from SE and cloudy. Latter part pleasa<sup>n</sup>  
weather with a fine breeze from SE East.  
All hands employed setting up the heads  
stays turning in the lee main rigging &c.  
Lat 0<sup>o</sup> 6' miles South. Long by Chronometer  
West. End of the day as usual.  
Coopers employed coopersing the meat.

Saturday Sept 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from SE  
and fine weather. All hands employed  
setting up the rigging &c. Heaving by the  
winds to the NE West. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part pleasant  
with fine gales from the SE East. All hands  
employed fitting the rigging. End of the day  
as usual. Lat 0<sup>o</sup> 1" South. Long by  
Chronometer. Saw blackfish but was too busy  
to go after them.

Sunday Sept 20<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the SE  
and fine weather. All hands employed in  
the rigging and stowing away the meat &c.  
Finished coopersing & stowed & backed 102 lbs meat.  
Middle part equally. Latter part pleasant  
with fresh gales from the SE & SE East. The whole  
employed in ship's duty. Lat 0<sup>o</sup> 2" 54' South.  
Long by Chronometer 21" 27' West. End of the  
day as usual.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of W<sup>id</sup>ford bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean Remarks &c  
Monday Sep<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1833

Started Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
NE & SE East and moderate weather. The  
watch employed in Ship's duty. Standing to  
the N West. Middle part equally. Latter  
part pleasant gales from the SE East and rugg<sup>d</sup>  
weather. All hands employed in and about  
the rigging. Latitude by 5.10 South Long by  
Chronometer 22.24 West. End the day as  
usual.

Tuesday Sep<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the NE  
and rather rugg<sup>d</sup> weather. All hands  
employed in fitting the rigging. Steering  
by the wind to the N West and S West. Middle  
part squally with fresh gales from the  
SE East. Latter part much the same, employed  
battling the fore & main rigging. End the day  
seizing on racks & leading blocks. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 7.20  
South Long 23.06 West.

Wednesday Sep<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the SE East  
and rugg<sup>d</sup> weather. Employed ~~clearing~~  
cleaning ship inside to paint. Middle &  
Latter part quite passable weather. All  
hands employed painting ship inside.  
Finished painting about 12 O'clk. So End  
Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 9.20 South Long 23.30 West.  
Standing to the N West.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Parker of N Bedford on a whaling

Voyage to the South Atlantic. Remarked &c 1835

Thursday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with pleasant gales from  
E & East and ruggid. At Sunset  
the winds hauled to the East again.  
The old ship looks as fine as a new fiddle. Since we  
parted her is Middle part hard squalls  
from the East and ruggid weather.  
 Latter part more pleasant. Took in Jabb &  
Main & Sail. Employed in Ship's duty.  
Lat by 11° 36' South Long 24° 25' West  
So Ends.

Friday Sept 25<sup>th</sup> 1835

Brif Port opened  
to day.

Commenced with strong gales from the SE  
and ruggid. The watch employed in  
Ship's duty. At 3 P.M. set the Fore & main  
Sails. Now 8 P.M. blowing fresh from  
the SE. Middle & Latter part more  
pleasant with the wind from the SE.  
& E & East. Employed painting the Quater  
boats. Mid & E & S. Broke out after noon.  
Lat by 14° 16' South Long 25° 30' West.  
Ends the day steering by the wind to the  
South West with all sail out.

Saturday Sept 26

Started Water  
&

Opened a barrel of flour.

Commenced with a strong breeze from SE  
and pleasant weather. The watch employ  
ed in various duties. Steering to the South  
West with all sail out. Middle part much  
the same as the first. Latter part pleasant  
with fresh breeze from the SE & E & East.  
The watch employed painting the bow boat & other  
necessary work. Lat by 17° 08' South Long  
by 24° 39' W. By Chronometer 24° 43' West.  
Ends the day in Ship's duty. Saw a Fin  
back to day.



Ship Capt 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford bound toward the  
Right Whale Grounds (Atlantic Ocean) Remarks &c

Sunday Sep 27<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the E. & S. E.  
an pleasant weather. The watch employed  
in ship's duty. Steering South when the  
winds will let us Middle & Latter part  
calm. The watch employed in ship's duty  
Lat by Lat Ob 18° 05' South Long by Lunar  
24° 32' 24° 38' West by Chronometer 24° 41' W  
Ends the day in ship's duty

Monday Sep 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs and calm  
Saw a ship bearing N. E. & S. Middle  
part calm. Latter part a light breeze from  
the S. East and S. East and pleasant. The watch  
employed repairing the main topsail. A ship in  
sight astern. Ends the day repairing the  
main topsail. Lat by Lat Ob 18.50 South  
Long by Lunar 25° 17' West by Chronometer  
25° 04' West

Tuesday Sep 29<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from S. East and  
fine weather. The watch employed repairing  
the main topsail. Finished & bent it about  
6 Pm. The ship astern still in sight. Middle  
part squally. Latter part more  
pleasant. Split the fore topsail. Unbent  
it and sent it down. The watch employed  
repairing it. Lat by Lat Ob 20° 20' South Long  
25° 55' West Ends the day repairing the fore  
topsail.



Ship *Pres<sup>nt</sup>* Capt. Barker of *Widford* Bound on a whaling  
voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean *Remark<sup>s</sup>* 1835  
Wednesday Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 1835

Started water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant but light gale from  
East and fine weather. The watch employ<sup>d</sup>  
repaired the Fore Top sail & finished  
bent it about 7 PM - Steering by the wind  
to the S<sup>W</sup> West when we can Middle part  
small air from the East & latter part small  
variable air & calm - Took in the waiste boat  
to overhaul & unbent an old Main & Gail  
and bent another - and commenced  
repairing the old one - End the day as  
usual Lat by 21.00 - Long about 26.20  
West by acct<sup>s</sup>

Thursday Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light gales from the  
Eastward and pleasant. The watch em-  
ployed repairing the main & Gail & the  
Capt<sup>s</sup> Carpenter & Mr. Smith employed fitting  
the waiste boat & Middle part the same  
as the first - Latter part calm: Unbent  
the jib & repaired it - Bent the old Fore  
& Main stay sail & stowed away the new one -  
Lat by 21.20 South Long 26.23 West  
End the day as usual - Painted the waiste  
boat - Steering East when & we can

Friday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calms and very moderate  
weather - Unbent the Spanker and bent the  
close Mizen & bent the jib & repaired the  
Spanker & Gail - Middle part calm  
Latter part a small variable air and thick  
weather - The watch employed in various  
duties - Lat by D.R. 21.47 South No Long by  
but by D.R. 26.40 West - End the day in  
ship duty - Set the 10<sup>th</sup> M. Studdard sail



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bound on a whaling  
Cruise to the South Atlantic Ocean Remarks &c  
Saturday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very small air and variable  
with wet nasty weather. The watch employed  
in various duties. Middle part squally  
Latter part very light air from the East  
and pleasant weather. The watch employ-  
ed in various duties. No winds. No whaling.  
Dull times enough. Lat by  
21° 58' South Long by Chronometer 26° 33'  
West. Ends the day in ship's duty.

Sunday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>  
Started whaling.

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm weather. The watch  
employed in ship's duty. At 4 Am a  
small breeze came up from the South and  
we are standing to the S.W. with all sail  
out. At sunset saw sprouts and lowens  
but they proved to be Humpback sprouts  
so we came on board as it was too late to think  
of striking a humpback. Middle part squally.  
Tacked to the eastward at 9 Am and at 4 Am  
tacked back again to the S.W. Latter part strong  
breezes from the S.E. and Druggo saw  
two humpbacks and a sail. Ends the day  
steering by the winds to the S.W.  
Lat by 22° 18' South Long 26° 44' West.

Monday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from S.E. East  
Druggo. A sail in sight astern. The watch  
employed in ship's duty. Steering close hauled  
to the S.W. Middle part light air from  
S.E. East and pleasant. Latter part small air  
and pleasant weather. Employed stowing  
off betwixt decks. Lat by 23° 47' South  
Long 27° 13' West. Ends the day steering  
to the S.E. East. Saw a bark steering to the  
South.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Medford Bound on a  
Whaling Voyage to the Atlantic Ocean Remarked 1835  
Tuesday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 1835

Started water

Commenced with pleasant gales from ENE  
and fine weather. Employed breaking  
out in the main hatchway to stow bread  
meat, Shookheads &c. Set the Fore & Main  
Studdard Sails and let her go. 9 East  
Middle part fine breeze from the North and  
cloudy. Latter part the same. All hands  
employed breaking out in the Fore hold after  
Shuky & Shukeheads. Lat 04 25.33 South  
Long by D. R. 26.59 West. End the day  
steering East with the wind at N.W. West

Wednesday Oct 7<sup>th</sup>

Ref. Port opened to day

Commenced with pleasant gales from N.W.  
and inclines to be rainy. All hands em-  
ployed stowing off the Fore & Main hatchways  
Finished and now we are already for whale  
Middle part squally and rainy. At 3 P.M.  
the wind hauled to the S.W. & Braced the  
yards and steered by the wind to the S.E.  
Latter part strong breeze from the S.W. and  
pleasant weather. Lat 04 27.30 South  
The watch employed in ship's duty. Long  
about 24 29 West. End the day steering  
S.E. South

Thursday Oct 8<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light gales from the S.W. and  
pleasant weather. The watch employed in  
various duties. Steering by the wind to the  
S.E. Have seen a number of Finbacks but  
as yet have not seen a sperm nor Right whale  
Middle part very light air from the S.W.  
and squally. Latter part pleasant with very  
small winds from the S.W. Lat 04 28.08  
South Long 23.39 West. End the day in ship's  
duty.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford bound on a whaling  
voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean - Remarked Dec 1835  
Friday October 9<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light gale from the  
N<sup>W</sup> and pleasant - The watch employed  
in ship's duty. The Cooper setting up old  
shockcast. Steering to the East  
Middle part fresh gale from the West & and  
squally latter part the same - steering to the  
East. The watch employed in various  
duties - making a pen for bone &c  
Ends the day in ship's duty  
Lat Ob. 29.20 South Long 21.30 West

Saturday Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 1835

Filled salt water  
to trim ship

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the N<sup>W</sup>  
and fine weather - The watch employed  
in various duties, steering by the wind to  
the East. Middle part strong breezes from  
the south and fluky - latter part the same  
as the middle - The watch employed in  
ship's duty - Lat Ob 29.45 South  
Long 18.55 West - Ends the day steering  
by the wind to the E<sup>SE</sup>

Sunday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

Started water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the South  
and S<sup>W</sup> and pleasant - The watch  
employed in various duties - Middle part  
variable air and calms - Working to the East  
Latter part light air from the East, at 10 AM  
tacked to the N<sup>W</sup> and stands until the  
end - Lat Ob 29.30 South. Long 16.52 W  
Ends the day in ship's duty



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Bound on a whaling  
voyage to the South Atlantic Ocean      Remarty &c  
Monday Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from E & East and fine  
cool weather. The watch employed in ship's  
duty is Steering by the wind to the South is  
Middle part light airs from the East & North  
Latter part fresh breeze from the North and  
thick weather. The watch employed weaving  
mats and doing other necessary work  
Steering S East is Latter part S Latitude  
by 31° 08' South Long 15.56 West

Tuesday Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
North and thick cloudy weather. The  
watch employed looking for whales, kno-  
ting yarn, weaving a mat &c &c &c  
Steering to the S East with all sail out  
Middle part strong breezes and thick weather  
from the North. Latter part the same.  
Lat by D.R. 34° 29' South Long 14° 18' West  
End the day in ship's duty.

Wednesday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and thick foggy  
weather. The watch employed in various  
duties. Steering S East. At 6 am hauled  
up E East with the wind at N West  
Middle, variable windy and rainy. At 10 am  
took a light breeze from the Eastwards.  
At 6 am the wind hauled to the South, tacked  
to the Eastwards. Latter part strong gale and  
foggy weather. The watch employed in ship's  
duty. Lat by acct 35° 16' South Long 12.40  
West. Ends the day by tacking to the S E  
the wind having hauled to the Eastward again



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford Cruising for Right Whales

In the South Atlantic Ocean      Remarks &c.      1835

Thursday Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1835

Commenced with strong gales from the East and thick foggy weather. At 6 Pm took in main & S. Sail and Double reefed the Topsails Standing by the wind to the S. East. Middle part strong gales from the East. at 11 Pm took in the mainsail and jib. Calm till 1 Pm then took a smart breeze from the N. W. and North which continued until the end. Set all sail & let her go till E by South Lat 35° 13' South Long 11° 01' West End the day in ships duty.

Friday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales (but strong ones) from the North and quite passable weather. The watch employed reefing up an old S. M. Studdard sail. Steering E by South with all sail out. Middle part the same as the first all sail set to the best advantage. Latter part much the same. Saw some finbacks this forenoon but as yet have not seen any right whale. Lat 35° 09' South Long 7° 36' West by Chronometer E by Sun 7° 41' West. End the day in ships duty.

Saturday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

Barrel of Beef opened to day.

Started water

Commenced with strong gales from the North and clear weather. The watch employed in ships duty. Steering E by South. Middle part squally & calm with a small air now & then from the Westward. Latter part light airs from the S. East and S. East and thick weather. Employed in ships duty. Latitude 34° 44' South Long 4° 58' West. End the day in chase of a Finback.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barbers of Bedford Cruising for Right  
Whales in the South Atlantic Ocean Right Whales

Sunday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the S.W.  
and quite passable weather - At 4 P.M.  
came up thick with a strong breeze from  
the S.E. Took in Top Sails and at 7  
P.M. doubled reefed the Top sails - now 8 o'clock  
and thick, misty, nasty, squally weather  
Middle part much the same as the first  
 Latter part more moderate made sail  
and stood along to the Eastwards by the  
wind - saw a number of Finbacks to day  
Lat Oct 33° 54' South Long by Chronometer  
2° 42' West - End the day as usual

Monday Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong untended breezes  
and rugged weather - At 2 P.M. split the  
Top Sail and let it down and bent another  
saw a Finback - Now 8 P.M. and squally  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first  
Plenty of Finbacks in sight but nothing  
that we can make Right Whales of -  
Lat Oct 33° 28' South Long 00° 16' West  
The watch employed in Ship's duty  
Strong current setting to the North<sup>d</sup>

Tuesday Oct 20<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from South and  
S.W. and squally - The watch employed  
repairing the Mizen Top Sail - Finbacks  
again. Middle part the same as the first  
Latter part much the same as the middle  
The watch employed in Ship's duty - Saw  
some Humpbacks & Finbacks to day but  
not any Right Whales - Lat Oct 33° 16'  
South Long 2° 14' East - End the day as  
usual - Strong current setting to the  
North<sup>d</sup>



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford On a whaling  
Voyage to the South Atlantic. Valparaiso 1835

Wednesday Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1835

Commenced with strong gale from the  
S.W. West and squally. The watch em-  
ployed in ship's duty. Steering by the  
wind to the East. Middle part much  
the same as the first. Latter part variable  
winds from South to W. S. West and squally  
The watch employed in ship's duty.  
Lat Ob 33° 50' South Long 4° 30' East  
Sperm whales are all that have been seen to  
day of the whale kind. Ends the day  
as usual.

Thursday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

Started Watch

Molasses - Butter  
And Bread opened  
to day

Commenced with variable winds and weather  
The watch employed in various duties -  
steering to the East by South when the  
winds will let us. Middle part squally  
Latter part more pleasant. The watch  
employed breaking out after Molasses butter  
&c &c and picking over potatoes. Latitude  
Ob 34° 27' South Long 6° 58' West  
Ends the day sorting potatoes. Nothing  
but Sperm whales been seen to day.

Friday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

Opened a barrel  
of flour to day.

Commenced with light variable airs & squally  
The watch employed with the potatoes.  
Steering S.E. by South when the winds will let  
us. Have seen one or two Sperm whales this  
Afternoon. Middle part light airs from  
the South and East and squally. Latter  
part pleasant gale from the S.E. East and  
cloudy. The watch employed in ship's duty.  
At 6 Am tacked to the S.W. At 1/2 past  
11 saw what we called Right Whales but  
they appeared to be a good deal in a hurry  
could not stop for us - going quick to the East.  
Lat Ob 34° 21' South No Longitude.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford (Bound) Cruising for  
Right Whales in the South Atlantic Ocean - Remarkable  
Saturday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1835

Opened a bbl of Pork

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
East and cloudy. The watch employ-  
ed in ship's duty. Standing along by  
the wind to the S.W. Middle part  
light airs from the South and cloudy, at 7<sup>th</sup>  
past one am tacked to the Eastward. Latter  
part more pleasant with small airs from  
the East. At 5 am tacked again to the S.W.  
and stood so till the End. The watch  
employed filling salt water to trim ship.  
Lat by 35.00 South Long 7.32 East

Sunday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>

Started a barrel of Beef  
this afternoon



Lost three iron, one lance,  
and about 60 fathoms  
of line.

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
South and cloudy. Tacked ship to the  
E. & East. Saw a number of <sup>small</sup> Petrels  
this afternoon. Middle part variable airs  
and squally. At half past 2 am tacked to  
the South and at 4 tacked back again to  
the Eastward. At 7 am saw a right whale  
lowered and chased but he had too many  
legs for us and went off. Came off and by  
him. At 11 saw another and struck, killed  
and sunk her and got the starboard board  
stove. Came on board and got dinner. So ended  
these 24 hours. Hard but I do not know but  
it was fair enough. Lat by 34.40 South  
Long by 9.00 West. Saw a ship to day.

Monday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with strong gales from the South  
East and rugged thick squally weather.  
Employed repairing the starboard board.  
Standing to the Eastward. Middle part small  
airs from the South East. At 12 o'clock tacked to  
the S.W. At 5 am saw whales & chased but they  
proved to be humpbacks. Came on board again.  
Latter part strong breezes and thick hazy weather.  
Finished mending the starboard board and put  
her on the cranes again. Lat by 34.26 South  
Long by 8.50 West. Ended the day  
in ship's duty.



Ship Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker of A Bedford Cruising for  
Whales

Tomarige 1835

Tuesday Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1834



Then 24 hours commence with strong gale  
from the S East and thick rugged weather  
At 3 Pm Saw whales - At 4 Lowered & chased  
but could not hook down, the whale being  
too cunning for us At sunset came on  
boards again - Standing by the wind to the  
S West - Hard luck. Middle part strong  
gale and squally - Latter part more pleas-  
ant - At 7 Am Saw whales & chased - but could  
not catch them - At 10 Am spoke the ship  
Ontario of Sagharbae 15 m<sup>e</sup> out with 800 bls  
whale and 200 of sperm oil - At 12 Pm  
Lowered and chased again - Lat by 34.55  
South Long by Chron<sup>r</sup> 8.55 East End the day  
chasing whales

Wednesday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>

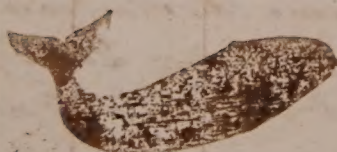


Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and quite  
passable weather to what it has been for a  
fortnight past - At 1 Pm gave up the chase  
and came on board - At 4 Saw more whales  
and chased but with no success - At sunset  
came on board and took in eight & 1/2 quarter  
watches - Standing to the East & in Middle  
part light air and cloudy - Latter part much  
the same - Called all hands and made  
sail, washed off decks and at 1/2 past five  
Saw whales and chased but could not catch  
them came on board again - The watch employed  
repairing the fore J Sail - Lat by 34.59 S  
Long 9.00 East end the day in chase of  
more whales

Thursday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the South  
and pleasant - Lowered after more whales  
but could not catch them - Gave up and came  
on board again and at 4 Pm chased again with  
the same success - Middle part variable  
winds and fine weather - Latter part calm  
at 7 Am Saw whales and chased - Struck, killed  
& took him to the ship - So End the day  
Lat by 34.44 South Long 9 East or  
thereabouts





Ship crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Parker of Bedford Cruising  
for Right Whales

Barnstable 1835

Friday Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1835



Last 2 show this heat

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather - Employed cutting & chasing whales - At 5 Pm spoke the Ontario having taken a whale - Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about 5 Pm - At 7 set the watch & took in sail - Middle part strong breeze from the N West and rugged weather - Employed boiling latter part squally from the S West - At 6 am cooled down the works - At 7 saw whales and chased & struck killed and took one to the ship and ended the day cabling the whale - Lat by acct 34° 48' Long 9° 15' East - This begins to look a little more like doing it

Saturday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the South and rugged weather - Comm<sup>d</sup> cutting after dinner Finished about 4 Pm took in sail got all snug and at 6 Pm set the watch - Middle part strong breeze from the S East - Latter part more pleasant - Made sail and stood to the West S West - Saw the Ontario off our lee - Employed boiling - Lat by 34° 50' South Long 9° 02' East - End the day boiling -

Sunday Oct. 32<sup>nd</sup> or November 1<sup>st</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South and quite passable weather - The watch employed boiling out the whales - At 6 Pm took in sail and at 7 set the watch - Middle part much the same as the first - Latter part quite pleasant - Finished boiling about 5 am and scraped off the duty - Saw a fin whale - Lat by 34° 50' South Long East End the day in Ship's duty -



Right Whales

Remarks &c 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and rugged  
Employed cutting. Hauls very rugged  
Cutting indeed - At 1/2 past four ~~the~~ finished  
Shortened sail, got all snug and at 5 PM  
set 4 watches. Standing to the South. One  
Ship in sight to Leeward, Middle span  
the same as the first. At 12 O'clk wore Ship to  
the west<sup>ward</sup>. At 6 AM saw a whale & chased  
struck, killed, & took him to the Ship, got snug  
and got breakfast about 12 O'clk AM. So ended  
the day. Three Ships in sight. Lat 44°  
34" 50 South Long 9° 15 East. E

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and rugged  
weather - Employed cutting and a rugged  
time we had of it too. Rose off the price  
twice which put us back a good dealer  
Finished cutting about half past 4 Pm  
Saw more whales to night but they were going  
quick to the N West - At 6 Pm spoke ship  
Parachute with 4 right whales and 145 lbs  
Sperm oil - At 7 spoke the General Pike with  
6 right whales and 160 lbs Sperm oil -  
Standing to the N.W. Ch? at 6 Pm started a  
fire - Middle & latter part pleasant gales  
from the N West and rugged weather - Employed  
boiling six ships in sight and only one boiling  
beside ourselves - Saw whales but did not lower  
Lat 35.00 South Long 9.20 East No Ends.

Common with fresh gales from the S West and  
very rugged - Employed boiling - Saw Whales  
and chased in company with the *Shyllocks* <sup>boats</sup>  
and they struck and the last we saw of them  
they as far to windward as we could see the color  
spouting clear. Suscept to them At 6 P.M. saw  
the watch - Middle part equally from the  
S West and very rugged weather latter part more  
moderate Two Ships in sight - Lat Ob 35° 23'  
South Long by acct 9° 25' East End the  
day boiling -



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of *New Bedford* Cruising for  
Right Whales

Remarky No 1835

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the S.W. and  
rugged. Employed boiling & stowing  
down. Stowed down about thirty barrels.  
Three ships in sight also a plenty of *Eschschol*.  
At 6 Am set the watch. Middle part squally  
finished boiling about half past 1 Am. Latter  
part the same as the middle. Employed  
stowing down the oil. At 11 Am spoke the  
*John* of New Bedford with 950 lbs whale and  
300 lbs sperm oil. Lat by 35° 44' South  
Long by Acct 9° 30' East. End the day stowing  
down.

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and rugged  
weather. Employed stowing down.  
standing by the winds to the N.W. after  
more whales. All full forward of the  
Foremast. Middle part heavy winds and  
raining. Latter part squally from the S.W.  
stowed down the remainder of our oil and  
scraped off the deck. Standing to the West  
wards under short sails. Latter by Latitude  
by 35° 24' South Long by by 10° 58' East.  
End the day in Ship's duty.

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the South  
and very rugged. At 3 Am took in the Fore  
Vbizen Topsails, jib & spanker. And at 5  
Oclk took in the Foresail and close reefed  
the Main Topsail. Now Eight oclk and blow-  
ing a gale from the South. Middle part  
more moderate. Latter part quite passable weather  
with the winds at 9 West. Spoke the <sup>George</sup> ~~John~~  
of New London 18 M<sup>rs</sup> out with 175 lbs whale and  
300 lbs sperm oil. Lat by 35° 8' South Long  
by by 10° 12' East. End the day cleaning  
down. Steering to the N.W.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Baster of *Bradford* Cruising for  
Right Whales *Remarkable* 1835

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with small airs from the  
South and cloudy - Employed cleaning  
bone - At 5 Am spoke the *West* of  
*St London* m<sup>o</sup> with 800 lbs whale  
and 300 lbs sperm - At 7 Am spoke  
the *Parachute* having got nothing since  
we saw her before - At 8 Pm took in sail  
and set the watch - Middle part light  
airs from the N West and cloudy - Latter part  
more pleasant - at 7 Am lowered & chased  
Humpback and at 9 Am chased four right  
whales but they were so wild we could not  
get near them - Came on board and end  
the day bundling bone - Lat *Ob* 34° 55' South  
Long 9° 21' East

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 1835

Started water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the N West  
and pleasant - Employed bundling bone  
Saw a right whale but could not catch him  
Five sails in sight - At sunset took in sail  
set 4 watches - Standing to the West<sup>ward</sup>  
Middle part more strong airs from the  
W N West and cloudy - Latter part pleasant  
gale from West N West and cloudy - Saw  
whales and chased but they were as wild as  
March Hares we could not catch them -  
Saw three ships (one boiling) but did not speak  
either Lat *Ob* 35° 09' South Long 9° 53' East  
Ends the day chasing whales.

Monday Nov<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the West  
and pleasant Saw a number of Finbacks  
this afternoon Saw the *Sava* in pursuit of  
a whale but whether she got him or no we do  
not know - Middle part strong breezes from  
the N N West and squally - Latter part the same  
as the middle - Steering to N West - Lat  
*Ob* 35° 13' South Long by Chronometer 8° 36'  
East Have seen nothing but finbacks  
to day Ends the day in Ship's duty.



Ship Crews 2nd Capt Barker of *Bradford* Cruising

in *Right Whales*

Remarks &c 1835

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 17 1835



Lost an Iron -



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the S.W. and rugged. Steering to the S.W. At sunset took in sail and hauled to the westward. Employed in ship's duty. Middle part the same as the first. Standing along to the S.W. At 11 am saw blackfish and got two. Lat by acct 34° 30' South Long by do 7° 30' East. Ende the day by tack- ing to the Eastward. Oh Dear I do not know as ever we are going to get any more whales for things look dark enough now. No whales, No Nothing. Dull Times Enough.

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 18



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the South and rugged. Employed getting the blubber off the blackfish. Steering to the East. Sailed under double reefed topsails. At 6 PM set half watches. Middle part squally. Latter part more moderate. Saw a ship steering to the North did not speak her. At 7 am kept off N.E. Lat by 34° 09' South Long 9° 00' East. Ende the day steering to the N.E.

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>



Opened a bb of Beef  
do Pork  
a cask of rice

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the S.W. and very rugged. At half past 1 PM saw whale and chased but could not catch them. At 4 PM landed again but failed no better. At 6 spoke the *Marcia* with 5 right whales and 30 sperm. Took in sail. Set four watches. Middle part much the same. Latter part quite passable weather. Saw whales and chased but with no success. Three ships in sight. Lat by 33° 47' South Long 9° 18' East. Ende the day steering by the wind to the E. East.



Ship Crew and Capt Barker of N Bedford Cruising  
Right - Whales      Remarks &c      1835

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and pleasant  
Employed looking for whales At 5 PM  
Spoke the Marcia again and have agreed  
to go to the Islands of Desolation in company  
with her thinking it best for all concerned  
so from here we take our departure - and stand  
E & East - Middle part much the same as  
the first - Working to the South - Latter part  
pleasant gale from the South and cloudy. Tied  
down Fore & Main Royal yards & Mast. Unbent the  
old Main Sail & down various other necessary jobs  
The Marcia in company - Lat Ob 34° 05' South  
Long 9° 30' East - End the day getting out the  
new sails -

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and cloudy - Employed  
fitting the new Mainsail & Main & Sail for  
bending - Got them bent and set & got Supper  
but the main & top sail do not hoist up by four  
feet - Steering by the wind to the East -  
Middle part passable weather - Latter part  
light gale from the S West and pleasant weather  
Got up the jib & bent it - Saw whales and chased  
but could not catch him - End the day as  
usual - The Marcia in company -  
Lat Ob 33° 55' South Long 10° 04' East

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>

Opened a Bbl flour

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather  
from the S West - Employed boiling and roasting  
Blackfish and fitting the new Foresail to bend  
Saw whales & chased twice this afternoon -  
At 5 PM the Capt went on board the Marcia  
to tea and returned - Middle part light air  
from the S West and cloudy - Latter part much the  
same - Saw a number of Humpbacks but no  
right whales as we know of as all that we saw were  
going quick to the South - we called them humpbacks  
Lat Ob 34° 12' South Long by Chronometer 10° 40'  
East - End the day as usual The Marcia still  
in company



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of *Madison* Cruising  
for Right Whales. Remarks &c 1835

Monday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Opened a *W* of *Flou*

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the West  
and fine weather. Employed looking for  
whales. Nothing been seen this afternoon  
steering South when the wind favors so as to  
allow us to. Middle part light air and cloudy  
thick weather. Latter part strong breezes from  
West<sup>th</sup> and rugged steering to the South. under  
sail. Lat by 35<sup>th</sup> 16 South Long 11<sup>th</sup> 20 East  
End of the day chasing Pinbacks.  
The *Marcia* still in company.

Tuesday Nov 24<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the West  
and rugged. Steering South. Bent the  
new *W*izen *Topsail*. At 4 P.M. saw whales  
lowered & chased. Struck killed & took one  
to the ship and behold the day was far  
spent. Cabled him and got snuff and set  
the watch. & watched. Middle part squally  
Latter part much the same as the first. At daylight  
called all hands and commenced cutting. Finished  
cutting and made sail. Saw whales again but  
they were going quick to windward and we let  
them go. Lat by 35<sup>th</sup> 55 South Long 12<sup>th</sup> 30 East  
Lost the *W*head, twas so rugged.

Wednesday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>

Started water



Lost 2 Irons

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the W. N. West  
and rugged weather. Steering S. East in company  
with the *Marcia*. At 4 P.M. saw whales and  
chased with two boats but they were going too  
quick to windward. The *Marcia* had one boat  
stove. At sunset took in sail and set the water.  
Saw a number of whales to night. Middle part  
much the same as the first. Employed boiling.  
Latter part very rugged. At 8 P.M. saw whales  
lowered, struck, killed, took one to the ship and  
cabled him (or her rather) and got the waste boat  
stove the *Marcia* and a strange sail in  
sight. Lat by acct 36<sup>th</sup> 20 South about 13<sup>th</sup> 00  
East. So End getting dinner.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of N. Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales. Remarks 1835

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 26. 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the West<sup>l</sup>  
and very rugged - Bos rugged to think of  
cutting Employed boiling and lying by the  
whale - At 4 Pm the gale increased - At 5 started  
the fluke chain rope and away she went - so  
we made sail again Employed boiling - At  
sunset saw the Marcia bearing about North  
Middle part the same as the first Lying to  
under a close reefed main topsail & fore sail  
Finished boiling about 10 Pm Latter part  
heavy gales from the West<sup>l</sup> took in the fore sail  
and let her lie under a close reefed main topsail  
Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 36° 07' South Long 13° 17' East -  
The Marcia still in sight -

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 27

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the West<sup>l</sup>  
and a heavy sea running - Set the fore sail  
and at 3 Pm set the fore topsail and shook a  
reef out of the main sail - Standing along by  
the wind to the South - At 7 Pm wore ship to the  
West and set 4 watches Middle part more  
moderate - Latter part pleasant gale from the West<sup>l</sup>  
and fine weather - commenced stowing down the  
oil - Saw a number of whales going quick to wind  
ward, did not lower - Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 36° 02' South Long  
13° 30' East - Ende the day stowing down in  
the after hold - Found two casks of Molasses  
half out - owing to its being put up in  
rotten cask -

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather  
Employed chasing whales and stowing down  
the oil of our last whale - At 4 Pm lowered and  
took our runaway whale alongside that we  
parted from day before yesterday - Cut her in  
and commenced boiling about 10 Oclk Pm - Middle  
part light air from the West<sup>l</sup> and pleasant  
Latter part much the same as the middle  
Employ boiling out our whale - One ship  
in sight - Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 35° 53' South Long 13° 37' East  
Ende the day boiling - And a nasty time  
we have of it too -

Cask of Brandy



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of N. Bedford Cruising  
 In Right Whaling      Remarks 1835

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1835



Started a bbl of Beef

Commenced with fine gales and pleasant weather  
 Employed boiling - At 7 PM spoke the *Marcia*  
 boiling having taken two whales - At 10 PM  
 the watch - At 11 PM Finished - Middle  
 part much the same as the first - Latter  
 part fine weather with pleasant gales from  
 the SE West - Saw whales and struck one  
 but the blow came out and the whale  
 went off - Lat 36° 03' East Long 14° 50'  
 South - End the day in ship's duty -

Monday Nov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with pleasant gales and fine weather  
 Saw humpbacks and chased but did not fasten  
 To night the Capt went on board of the *Marcia*  
 and carried the fluke chain to get mended  
 At 8 PM returned - And set half watch  
 Middle part equally - Standing to the West  
 Latter part pugged with strong gales from the  
 South and cloudy - Saw whales and chased but  
 with no success Employed stowing down the  
 oil - Lat 36° 20' South Long 14° 20' East  
 End the day in ship's duty and stowing down  
 The *Marcia* out of sight -

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1835



Commenced with strong gales from the SE East  
 and very pugged - Employed stowing down  
 the oil - At 2 PM saw whales and chased  
 but they were wild and we could not catch  
 one came on board and finished stowing  
 down - The last whale stowed down about 70  
 lbs oil - At sunset took in sail and set  
 4 watches - Standing to the West - Middle  
 part more moderate - Latter part quite passable  
 weather - At daylight made sail and tacked  
 to the Eastward - Saw the *Marcia* boiling - Saw  
 a large school of Mackerel but did not lower  
 Lat 36° 45' South Long 14° 00' East - So End  
 Employed repairing the tryworks -



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford's Cruising  
Right Whales      Remarks &c 1835

Wednesday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1835



Lost 2 young



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the East and quite passable weather - Employed looking for Whales &c - At 6 Pm spoke the *Marcia* boiling having taken a whale yesterday - At sunset took in sail and set the watch. Middle part much the same as the first. Latter part pleasant - At 8 Am saw whale and chased. At 12 Oclk took a whale alongside and got dinner - Ends the day as usual Lat 36° 51' South Long 13° 30' East -

Thursday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>

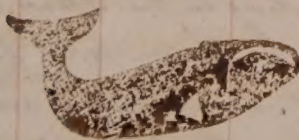


Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and quite passable weather - Employed cutting our whale at 1/2 past two saw a whale and chased with one boat but could not catch him - Finished cutting - At 4 Pm - At 8 Am set the watch standing to the S West with the wind from the S W South. Middle part strong breeze from the South - At 1 Oclk were ship to the East. Latter part quite passable weather. Employed boiling - At 9 Am were back to the S West again saw a ship supposed to be the *Marcia* in Lat 36° 47' South Long 13° 43' East

Friday Dec 4<sup>th</sup>



Opened a barrel of Beef Pork to day -



Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South and fine weather - Employed boiling - At 2 Pm saw a whale going quick to windward - did not chase him far - At 6 Pm finished boiling - At sunset saw a whale and lowered but it soon became dark and we came back again - At 8 Pm set 4 watches standing to the S West - Middle part pleasant - Latter part the same - At daylight saw whales and chased but could not catch them - Came on board and commenced breaking out aft - At 9 Am saw more & struck two - Killed one and took him to the ship about 12 Oclk. So Ends - the *Marcia* in sight boiling - No Lat to day.



Ship bears 2nd Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising

For Right Whales

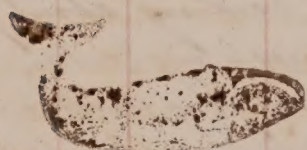
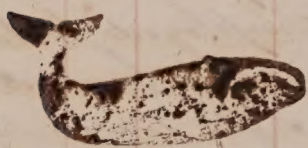
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Saturday Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1835



Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the SE and fine weather - At 2 PM commenced cutting - Saw whale twice and chased with one boat but could not catch them - At 7 AM the Capt<sup>n</sup> went on board of the mackerel and got the fluke chain - At 10 AM began to boil - Standing to 9 AM - Middle part much the same as the first - Latter part pleasant - Finished stowing down the cold oil saw a number of whale but they were too wild - Employed boiling - No Long Lat by Acc<sup>t</sup> 36° 50' South So Ends the day -

Sunday Dec<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>



Lost 9 Irons to day

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales and pleasant from the SE East - Employed boiling - Saw the Marcia take a whale alongside to night - Finished boiling about 9 AM - Middle part calm - After breakfast commenced stowing down saw whale & chased - Killed two and took them in tow - While towing saw more whales & chased again & killed one - At Noon the ship was distant from the boats 4 miles - Ends the day - Towing the whale to the ship Lat by Acc<sup>t</sup> 37° 00' South Long About 14° 20' East -

Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm light weather - Employed towing the whale to the ship - At 4 PM got two whales to the ship - At 5 PM sent the boat after the other whale - Towed till about 11 AM when we lost view of the ship when we waded the whale & pulled for the ship, got on board about half past 11 AM - Let the water from the till half past 4 to morrow morning - At half past 4 AM called all hands and at 5 hooked down but it being very rugged we did not get through till 11 AM - and just as we finished cutting one in the other parted the fluke rope and away he went - No Lat No Long to day -



Ship *Seas* and Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford Cruising for

Right Whales

Remarks Dec 1835

Tuesday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1835.

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and pugged weather. Employed skimming down the last fur of oil. Finished and scraped the deck and cupped and set the watch. Standing to the Westward. Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about 9 Am. At 12 o'clock tacked to the East. Middle part light air from the West and pleasant. Ende the day boiling standing to the west<sup>d</sup>. The Marcia in sight to leeward Lat by 37° 08 South Long 16° 36 East by Chronometer. Out of three whales that we killed yesterday we have only saved one. And if that is not hard luck I do not know what is.

Wednesday Dec 9<sup>th</sup>

Openide a W of Show



Lost Wrote three Lances  
Vone Iron

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the West and pleasant weather. Employed boiling. The Marcia in sight to leeward boiling and a stranger in sight to windward not boiling. Finished boiling about 9 Am. Middle part light variable air & calm. Latter part pleasant gale and fine weather. At 8 Am saw Whales chased but came on board the same as we went. At 9 saw more and struck killed took one to the ship. and got dinner. Lat by 37° 06 South Long about the same as yesterday. Ende the day getting dinner.

Thursday Dec 10<sup>th</sup>

Wrote two Lances



Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the South<sup>d</sup> and fine weather. Employed cutting. got the heads off and got the throats and lips in and saw more whales. Chased got fast and killed one and at 7 Am took him to the ship. The Marcia in sight to leeward. Got supper and set the watch. Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about 9 Am. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part fine pleasant weather with light air from the westward. At 7 Am hooked down and at 11 finished cutting. This seems a little more like doing things as they should be done. Lat by 36° 53 South Long by Chronometer 13° 46 East.



Ship Cores 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford's Cruising

For Right Whales

Barnstable 1835

Friday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the West-  
wards and fine weather Employed  
boiling and Stowing down. At 8 PM  
Set the watch - Standing to the South<sup>d</sup>  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first  
Employed boiling. Lat 37.01 South  
Long 13.49 East End the day boiling

Saturday Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with moderate breezes from  
the N West and fine weather Employed  
boiling & Stowing down in the fore  
holds. Found some hard cast in the  
ground tier - Standing to the N West  
Middle part pleasant with fine breezes from  
the N West. Finished boiling about 2 PM. Latter  
equally with fresh breezes from the West<sup>d</sup> Em-  
ployed Stowing down forwards - Stowed down  
about 4 PM. No Lat Nor Long to day.  
Saw the Marcia to leeward boiling - End the  
day standing to the South<sup>d</sup>

Sunday Dec 13<sup>th</sup>

Started Molasses

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the West<sup>d</sup>  
and cloudy, foggy weather. At 7 PM wore  
ship to the N West - & set four watches. Middle  
part much the same as the first - At 12 O'Clock  
wore ship to the South. Latter part strong  
gale and squalls. At 11 AM took in the  
jib & F<sup>o</sup> sail. Saw the Marcia to leeward  
did not speak her. Lat 38.15 South  
By acct 37.49 South Long 13.45 East  
End the day by wearing ship to the N West  
again



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Wexford, Cruising for Right  
Whales in the South Atlantic Ocean - Remarkable 1835 -  
Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1835

Bread & Beef

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the westward and rugged. Lying to under a close reefed Main Topsail. Fore sail & Spruce - Saw the *Marcia* off our Lee beam. At 7 PM set four watches. Still blowing strong. Middle and latter much the same as the first. Lat  $37^{\circ} 27'$  South Long by Acct  $14^{\circ} 00'$  East Set the Mizen Topsail & so Ends the day Steering to the North<sup>d</sup>.

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>



Lost 1 Iron and a Lance

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the west<sup>d</sup> and rugged weather. Unbent the old Fore Topsail bent the new one. At 5 PM saw a whale, chased, caught him & took him to the ship. Got supper and set four watches. Middle part more moderate. Latter part quite passable weather. At 6 AM Comm<sup>d</sup> cutting and finished about 10 AM the fluke chain having got into the whale's mouth which put us back a good deal. At 11 AM spoke the *Marcia* having taken 6 whales since we spoke her last. Have a sick man on board & Capt B with our Physician went on board to visit him. Ends the day by building a fire and getting dinner. Lat  $37^{\circ} 14'$  South Long  $13^{\circ} 52'$  East

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather employed boiling. At 1 PM the Capt returned from the *Marcia* and we went about our business again. Middle part fresh gale from West West and rugged. Latter part equally. Saw whale & chased but without success. Came on board again. Employed boiling. Lat  $37^{\circ}$  South Long by Acct  $13^{\circ} 50'$  East. Ends the day as usual.



Ship beres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales

Remarks &c 1835

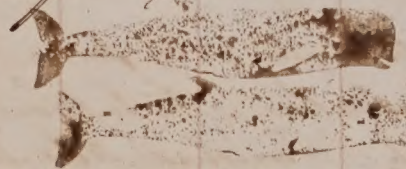
Thursday Decr 17<sup>th</sup> 1835



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Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the West<sup>er</sup>  
and cloudy. Employed boiling. Finished  
about 2 PM and broke out in the fore hold  
Stowed down about 30 bbl oil and quit  
Saw a strange sail to night boiling  
At 7 PM Set four watches standing to the  
Southwards. Middle part light airs and  
pleasant from the South<sup>er</sup>. At 12 Oclk wore ship  
to the West. Latter part nearly calm. Saw  
whales and chased but did not get fast  
Came on board and finished stowing down  
Lat by 37° 17' South Long 14.03 East  
One ship in sight. Saw a ship standing to  
the Eastward.

Friday Decr 18<sup>th</sup>



Lost show



Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the  
West and pleasant. Employed flensing  
water forward in the fore hold. Saw a num  
ber of Pinbacks this afternoon. Steering to  
the West<sup>er</sup> under all sail. At 8 AM Set 4  
watches. All full forward of the fore hatch  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter part  
light breeze from the West<sup>er</sup> and pleasant. Saw  
blackfish and took 6. At 11 AM saw whales  
and chased. Struck one killed him and ended  
the day lying by him with the boat. Lat by acct  
37° 26' South Long 14° 16' East. Got the waite  
boat stove by a blackfish. Struck & killed 21  
blackfish and saved six.

Saturday Decr 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the Westward  
and fine weather. At 3 PM took the whale to  
the ship. Kille him & got dinner. After dinner  
cut in the whale and got supper. Set the watch  
standing to the South. Middle part  
strong breeze from the West and rugged  
At 11 PM comm<sup>d</sup> boiling. Latter part strong  
gale from the W. West. and rugged. Took  
in the fore & mizen topsail. Lat by Chronom 37° 55' S  
Long by Chronom 14° 11' East. Ended the  
day boiling.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales in the South Atlantic Ocean 1835  
Sunday Decr 20<sup>th</sup> 1835

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Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the S West  
and rugged. Employed boiling. Stand-  
ing to the South. Saw one Solitary Fin-  
back this Afternoon. Got supper & set the  
watch. Wh? Mended the waiste board.  
Middle part more moderate. At 12 O'clk  
ship to the N West. Latter part pleasant.  
Lat by 37° 55 South Long about 13° 50 East.  
Ends the day boiling. Finished boiling  
the whale & commenced upon the blackfish  
about 9 AM have seen nothing but Finbacks  
to day.

Monday Decr 21<sup>st</sup>

Opened a lb of Beef  
I tried our pickled  
Cabbage & onions that we put  
up at the Western Island.  
I found them to be pretty fair.

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the West  
and fine weather. Employed boiling  
out blackfish. Finished about 3 PM.  
scraped the deck & got supper and at 6 PM  
set the watch. Standing to the North and  
west under all sail. Middle part pleasant.  
Latter part Strong gale from the N North and fine weather.  
Employed stowing down the oil.  
Lat by 37° 52 South Long by Acc<sup>t</sup> 13° 30 East.  
Have seen nothing but Finbacks to day.  
The whale stowed down about 7 o'clk. Heaving  
by the wind to the westward. Three hands off duty.

Tuesday Decr 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the North and  
raining, squally, dirty weather. Double reefed  
the topsails. At 4 AM the wind veered to the  
N West and more moderate. Middle part good  
passable weather. Latter part squally from  
the N West and an ugly head sea which makes  
the old ship labor some. One ship in sight to  
windward. Standing to the N West. Lat by  
37° 44 South Long by Acc<sup>t</sup> 12° 50 East.  
Ends the day in ship's duty. Three hands off duty.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales

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Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N<sup>W</sup> West  
and rugged. Beating hard to get to the west.  
Saw a Ship steering to the E<sup>SE</sup> East - Employed  
in ship's duty - At Sunset there were two ships  
in sight standing to the N<sup>W</sup> West - Middle  
part quite pleasant - Latter part pleasant  
gales and fine weather - At 6 Am saw a whale  
going quick to the N<sup>W</sup> West - lowered and chased  
but without success - Saw wh<sup>a</sup> a ship to wind  
ward boiling - Lat by 37° 02 South Long  
by Chronometer - 10° 48 East - Ende the  
day standing to the N<sup>W</sup> West

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the N<sup>W</sup> West  
and quite passable weather - At 4 Am spoke  
the Parachute with 16 whales - and Hercules  
with 13 do<sup>s</sup> & boiling - At 8 Am tacked to the  
North East - Middle part strong gales from the  
N<sup>W</sup> West and rugged - At 12 O'Clock to the West -  
Latter part strong gales from the North and squ  
- ally - At 10 Am took in sail to a double reefed  
main topsail and foresail - Saw two right  
whales but it was so rugged did not lower -  
Lat by acct 37° 30 South Long by do 8° 50 E  
Ende the day lying to under a double reefed  
Main topsail & Foresail

Friday Dec<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and heavy squalls  
from the North and rugged nasty weather  
Lying to under a double reefed Main topsail  
& Foresail - At 5 Am close reefed and let  
her M<sup>all</sup> - Middle part more moderate -  
Latter part strong gales and rugged - Set double  
reefed topsails jib & mainsail & Ende the day  
steering to the North & East - Saw a large ship  
under a cloud of sail steering to the East - Saw  
two others supposed to be whalers steering to  
the N<sup>W</sup> West under easy sail Lat by 37° 54  
South Long by acct 9° 30 East

Opened a bag of flour



Ship Capt 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales      Remarks &c 1835  
Saturday Decr 26<sup>th</sup> 1835

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N.W.  
and squally rugged weather - At 1 P.M. wore  
ship to the West<sup>rd</sup> took in the jib & mainsail  
At 4 P.M. took in the Fore & Mizzen Topsails  
and at close reefed the main Topsail -  
No Whales, No Weather, No Nothing -  
Now 8 P.M. & blow stronger Middle part more  
moderate latter part quite passable weather  
At daylight called all hands and set double  
reefed Topsails jib & main sails - Standing to  
the South west<sup>rd</sup>. The watch employed clean-  
ing bone - Lat by 38° 31' South Long 9° 40'  
East - Ends the day cleaning bone

Sunday Decr 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the N.W.  
and thick smoky weather - The watch em-  
ployed bundling bone - Have seen nothing  
so far - At sunset took in sail and set  
four watches - Middle part squally and  
raining - Latter part more moderate with the  
wind from the west<sup>rd</sup> - At daylight wore ship  
to the North and saw a Ship steering to the  
N East - Lat by 38° 43' South Long 9° 16' East  
End the day steering to the North & West

Monday Decr 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the West<sup>rd</sup>  
and rugged - At 1 P.M. spoke the Julius Caesar  
of New London with 1400 bbls oil - Made sail  
and stood to N West - At sunset set four  
watches - Middle part small airs from the  
N West - Latter part strong gales again -  
At 4 A.M. tacked to the West<sup>rd</sup> All hands  
employed cleaning bone till breakfast time  
At 9 A.M. double reefed the Topsail & took in  
the jib & mainsail and let her go - The Julius  
Caesar still in sight to leeward - Lat by  
38° 44' South Long by Acct 8° 25' East



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Capt Barker of *Bedford* Cruising  
for Right Whales *Permarley* Dec. 1835

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1835 Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the NW  
and rugged. At 1 PM took in the Fore &  
Main Topsail. At 6 took in the Foresail  
and close reefed the Main Sail. Now SEW  
and blowing heavy from the N West. The july  
beset out of sight. Middle part the same as  
the first. Latter part more pleasant. At 10 AM  
set the Foresail Fore & Main Topsails & Spraker  
Lat by 39° 25 South Long by Chronometer  
8° 32 East. End the day Steering to the  
South.

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally weather from the  
N West and rugged. At 4 PM set the fore &  
mainsail. Saw a number of Finbacks this  
Afternoon and tomorrow am in full expect-  
ation of seeing whales. At Sunset took  
in sail and set four watches. Hail rain  
& sleet plenty. Heading to the South.  
Middle part heavy galy & rugged weather  
Latter part more moderate by a considerable  
with the exception of now & then a hail or snow  
squall. Lat by 39° 36 South Long 10° 32 East  
Ch<sup>r</sup> kept off East for the Indian Ocean.

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 31<sup>st</sup>

Opened a Bl of Beef & Pork  
N to day

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the NW  
attended by heavy squally of hail & snow.  
Employed in ship duty. At Sunset took in sail  
and luffed to the wind to the North. Middle  
part more moderate. Latter part rugged with  
fresh gales from the N West (but quite pleasant  
to what it was yesterday). At daylight made  
tate and kept off E N East. Saw one solitary  
whale & chased him but could not catch him.  
Came on board about 10 AM and kept off  
again East. Lat by acct 39° 00 South  
Long 12° 15 East. End the day in ship duty.  
Another Year has past and Ch<sup>r</sup> Dear.



Ship Capt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford (Cruising  
for whales) Bound to the Indian Ocean. Penmark No. 1836

Friday Jan<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the N<sup>W</sup> and  
squally thick weather. Steering off E by  
free. Employed in various duties. At 10 AM  
Took in sail and luffed to to the North. Middle  
quite moderate gales from the N<sup>W</sup> and thick, rainy weather. Latter part much  
the same as the middle. At 6 AM saw a right  
whale but he had too many legs for us.  
The watch employed stowing up betwixt decks.  
Steering to the East. Lat. Obs by acct 37°  
45' South Long. do 14° 25' East. End the  
day in Ships duty.



Saturday Jan<sup>y</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the N<sup>W</sup> and  
squally. Employed stowing up betwixt decks.  
At 4 PM the wind hauled to the South and  
blew half a gale. Took in the Fore & Main Top  
sails & close reefed the Main Top sail. At 6 took  
in the Fore sail and luffed to to the E by East.  
Middle part squally. Latter part pleasant.  
At daylight made sail and steered E by South  
by the wind. Employed bundling bone.  
At 10 AM saw a ship to seaward kept off  
of East for her. Lat Obs 38° 00' South Long  
by Chronometer 14° 31' East. End the day in  
Ships duty.

Sunday Jan<sup>y</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales and pleasant weather.  
At 3 PM spoke the ship Benecoolen 83 days  
from London for New Holland (Hobart town).  
A few of the passengers came on board to see how  
a whalerman looked and at 5 PM they returned  
to their ship and we braced forward standing  
to Eastward. Middle part baffling winds from the  
South & East. Latter part pleasant gales from East  
South East and fine weather. Employed looking for  
whales. The Benecoolen out of sight (could not stand  
their hands). At 9 AM tacked to the South. Lat  
Obs 36° 16' South Long 15° 34' East by Chronometer.  
Ends the day steering by the wind to the South.



Thos. Corry 2nd Capt. Barber of *Bedford* bound  
round the Cape of Good Hope. Remarks &c 1836.

Monday Jan<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from E. East and  
fine weather. Standing along by the wind to the  
South. Nothing occurred worthy of note. Middle  
part light airs from E. East and fine weather.  
Latter part pleasant gales from the North and  
very fine weather. The watch employed putting  
the sails into a press or bin. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 37. 40  
South Long by Chronometer 16. 20 East. End  
the day steering E. East under all sail.

Started Water

Tuesday Jan<sup>y</sup> 5<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong but pleasant gales from  
the N. West and fine weather. Employed  
getting up shutes out of the lower hold and  
stowing them between decks. Getting ready to  
clean ship &c &c &c. Mr. J. W. Smith getting  
their new boats ready to put out. Middle part  
squally from the N. West. Latter part more pleasant  
with fresh breezes from the West. The watch em-  
ployed cleaning ship inside. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 37. 04 South  
Long 19. 00 East. End the day steering E. East  
under our topsails. I am afraid that we shall  
not get any more Right Whale this season.

Wednesday Jan<sup>y</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the West  
and hazy. Employed cleaning ship.  
Steering S. by East. At 4 Am saw Blackfish  
but being very busy did not lower. At 5 Am  
spoke brig *Cornelia* of Baltimore. did not  
board. It seems very comfortable to have a clean  
ship once more. Middle part light airs from  
the N. West and smooth. Latter part pleasant with  
fresh gales from the South. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 36. 53 South  
Long by Chronometer 22. 15 East. Employed  
washing ship outside. End the day in scrub-  
bing off the right whale gurry.



Ship *Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>* Cap<sup>r</sup> Barker of New Bedford bound round the Cape of  
Good Hope - Remarks &c 1836  
Thursday Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1836

Opened a bb of Beef

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally weather from the SE  
and a heavy swell setting from the North  
The watch employed cleaning ship & the boats,  
oars, craft, &c &c Finished cleaning ship at  
4 PM - At 7 PM took in Fore Mizzen & Gallows  
- sails - Steering by the winds to the NE -  
At 8 PM tacked to the SE - Middle part squally  
Latter part much the same - The watch employed  
in Ship's duty - Latitude by 38° 08' South  
Long by Chronometer 21° 40' East - Ends the  
day as usual -

Friday Aug 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light variable airs, calms, and  
squally - The watch employed in Ship's duty  
At 3 PM tacked to the East again saw a ship  
standing to the N West - Middle part strong  
breezes from the East and ruggeds - Latter part  
the same as the Middle part - At 8 PM Tacked  
to the N West - The watch employed felling the  
gammoning - Nothing occurred to day worthy  
of notice Lat by 37° 47' South Long by Acct  
22° 15' East - Ends the day in Ship's duty -

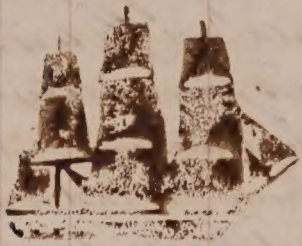
Saturday Aug 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the SE East  
and ruggeds - Standing to the N West - The watch  
employed in Ship's duty - At 6 AM tacked to the  
East East - Middle part strong gales from the  
South and ruggeds - At 9 AM double reefed the  
Topsail and took in the jib - At 2 PM took  
in the Mainsail - Latter part the wind increas-  
ed to almost a gale, close reefed the Fore topsail  
took in the Mizzen - Lat by Acct 37° 40' S -  
Long by Do 24° 20' East - Ends the day steering  
by South under close reefed fore main & Fore sail -



Ship *Ceres* and Capt. Barker of *Bedford* Bound  
to the Indian Ocean. Remarks &c 1836

Sunday Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 1835



French Brig *Emilie*

Commenced with heavy gales from the South  
and suggested steering off East by South -  
Towards night it moderated some but it now  
blew on again 8 o'clock <sup>pm</sup> Middle part more  
moderate made <sup>sail</sup> ~~steered~~ to the Eastward. The wind  
hauled to the Westward. Latter pleasant gales from  
the N.W. West and fine weather. At 5 PM set the  
Fore & Main Studding sails. At 8 AM spoke Brig  
*Emilie* 50 days from Boston bound to France  
Spurred in the yard kept off again and set  
the Studding sails Lat by 35.41 South Long  
by Chronometer 26.05 East End the day  
steering East.

Monday Aug 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
N.W. West and fine. Steering E by South and  
all sails. Middle part squally from the  
N.W. West. Steering to the Eastward. Latter part more  
pleasant. The watch employed in various duties  
Stopping chafes &c &c. Lat by 34.56 South  
Long by Chronometer 28.4 East. Unbent the  
flying jib. So End the day.

Tuesday Aug 12<sup>th</sup>

Beef, Pork, & Butter  
Hauled water

Commenced with light airs and squally from  
the South west. The watch employed setting  
up the bobstays & bowsprit. Stowage fitting new  
footropes to the jibboom. Broke out salt water  
meat and Butter and hard old butter it is  
too. Quite the hardest Butter that ever I have  
seen since I have been going a fishing. Middle  
part pleasant with variable winds. Latter part  
the same as the middle. Employed painting  
the new waist bow boat - repairing the mirror & sail.  
Lat by 33.59 South Long by Chronometer 29.49  
East End the day in ship's duty.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of St. Bedford Bound  
down the Magdalen Channel. Remarks &c 1836

Wednesday Aug 13<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light breeze from the S.W. North and fine weather the watch employed repairing the old S. S. Sail - saw a beach this afternoon but it was a long way off and the wind was so light we could not get to it - At 10 o'clock took in sail and set four watches - headed to the S. East - ~~Went~~ tomorrow - Middle part very light air from the East<sup>ly</sup> and fine weather - Latter part pleasant gale from the E. & East and fine weather The watch employed repairing the old jib - Standing to the S. East Lat by 34° 15' South Long by Lunar 31° 04' & 31° 12' East and by Chronometer 30° 59' East

Painted the Starboard boat

Thursday Aug 14<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather from the East<sup>ly</sup> - All hands employed in ship's duty - At night put the new boats out and took in the old ones - Standing to the S. East close hauled - Middle part pleasant and latter part pleasant gale and fine weather from the East<sup>ly</sup>. Saw some kind of a jump in this but I do not know what was it. Lat by 34° 44' South Long by Chronometer 33° 32' East by 33° 38' East but I do not know if we shall be able to find the way back again - Employed repairing old boats & old sails - Ended the day steering by the wind to the S. East

Friday Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Opened a bottle of Sherry

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather from the East<sup>ly</sup> - Employed repairing the old waste boat & old sails, beating off the rust off the chains and other iron work, & old tarring them &c at 7 P.M. tacked to the North<sup>ly</sup> - Middle part strong gale from E. & East & N. East - Latter part more pleasant with the wind from the N. East At 4 A.M. tacked to the East<sup>ly</sup> again - The watch employed repairing the old main S. Sail & the Capt Carpenter repairing the old waste boat Lat by 34° 20' South Long by Chronometer 33° 14' East by 33° 59' & 34° 13' East & 34° 13' 34° 43' 34° 56' East



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt *Barker* of *Bedford* Bound  
down Channel

Remarks &c 1836

Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather from the East<sup>d</sup>. The watch employed repairing the old main topsail &c. Steering by the wind to the ESE. Middle part squally - Latter part more pleasant with fresh gales from the North<sup>d</sup>. The watch employed repairing the old main topsail &c. Steering East East by the wind. Lat  $04^{\circ} 33' 38''$  South Long by the Chronometer  $36^{\circ} 39'$  East. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the N West and cloudy. At 3 Pm the wind hauled to the West<sup>d</sup> with some rain. The watch employed washing the running rigging. After 4 Pm washed off the deck. Steering N East. Middle part pleasant gales from the N West and fine weather. Latter part the same as the middle. Steering NNE with the Fore & Main Studding sail set. Lat  $04^{\circ} 31' 19''$  South. Long by the Chronometer  $36^{\circ} 49'$  East. Ends the day in sailing Ship.

Monday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Opened a cask of *Beard*

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather steering to the North with all sail set. At sunset saw Blackish, took in sail and buffed to the wind to the West<sup>d</sup>. Under tomorrow's hope we shall see Whales. Middle part calm. Latter part pleasant gales from the South<sup>d</sup>. At daylight called all hands and made sail, washed off deck and kept away North again. At 10 am the wind hauled to the East and at 11 am it came to the East<sup>d</sup>. Lat  $04^{\circ} 30' 05''$  South Long by Chronometer  $35^{\circ} 21'$  East. Ends the day repairing the old topsails.



Ship *Ceres* and Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford's bound down  
the Mozambique Channel. Remarks &c. 1836  
Tuesday Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with strong breezes from the East  
and cloudy - All hands employed repairing the  
old Foresail & waste boat &c. Saw a number  
of Boaches this afternoon but they did not  
prove to be Sperm whales - At Sunset saw black  
fish again Took in sail and set four watches  
Middle part much the same as the first - Latter  
part pleasant with light airs from the N<sup>W</sup> East  
steering by the winds to the N<sup>W</sup> West. Employed  
repairing the old Foresail and old waste boat  
Lat By 29.02 South Long by Chron<sup>o</sup> 34.30 East  
Ends the day in Ship's duty

Wednesday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>

Started a W of S of

Commenced with fine weather with a light  
breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> East & finished repairing  
the Foresail and commenced upon the main  
sail - Saw some Grampies this afternoon  
At Sunset took in sail & set the watches  
Middle part light airs from the North & cloudy  
Latter part nearly calm - The watch employed  
repairing the old mainsail - Lat By 28.40 South  
Long by Chronometer 34.30 East. Ends the  
day as usual

Thursday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the South  
and fine weather - The watch employed repair-  
ing the old mainsail &c. Steering North by  
compass & calculate ourselves to be about 90 miles  
N<sup>W</sup> East from Amoy Cape - Middle part  
calm Latter part very small airs from the N<sup>W</sup> East  
The watch employed repairing the old Foresail  
and the Carpenter repairing the old waste boat  
Lat By 28.06 South Long by Chronometer  
33.57 East Ends the day steering to the  
N<sup>W</sup> West by the winds  
Long by Lunar 34.48 & 34.53 East  
35.00 & 35.05



Ship Capt 3<sup>rd</sup> Capt Bartie of Bedford bound down  
Channels looking for sperm whales. Remarks &c, 1836

Friday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
SEast and quite passable weather -  
The watch employed repairing the old  
topsail - At 5<sup>th</sup> Am the wind increased so  
that now we have a pretty smart breeze  
Eight bells Am Middle part strong breeze  
from the ENEast and thick cloudy weather -  
At 9 Am took in the main & foresail and wore  
Ship to the SEast - At 10 Am wore back again to  
the North - Latter part strong gales and cloudy  
No Land yet - Lat by 28.10 South Long by Chron  
32.44 East and by two Lunars 33.24 & 33.25  
East - Ends the day in Ships duty -

Strong current setting to  
the SEast

Saturday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

Started molasses

Commenced with light airs from the SEast and  
cloudy - The watch employed repairing the  
old topsail - Finished repairing the old main  
boom - Steering by the wind to the NWest by  
compass - No Land at sunset - Middle  
part variable winds, calm, squally & rainy - Latter  
part pleasant gales from the NWest and fine weather  
Steering to the NWest at 12 Oclk saw the land  
bearing NW by compass distant 30 miles - Lat  
by 28.09 South Long by Chronometer 32.18 East  
and by two observations 32.44 & 32.50 East  
Supposed ourselves to be a little to the South of  
Smoky Cape - Chronometer about 30 miles too  
far to the Westward - Ends the day in Ships  
duty

Sunday Jan 24<sup>th</sup>

Opened a Hoof Beef Work

Commenced with pleasant gales from the SEast  
fine weather - At 3 Am hauled up ENEast - At  
6 Am tacked to the South - At sunset the  
nearest Land bore NWest distant 20 miles -  
Middle part light airs from the NEast and cloudy  
Latter part strong gales and squally - Standing  
to the SEast under our topsails, courses, jib & main  
Employed in Ships duty - Lat by Acet 28.25 South  
Long do 32.40 East - Ends do



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford on a whaling  
Cruise in the Indian Ocean. Remarks No 1536  
Monday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the N<sup>W</sup> East  
and squally weather. At 1 Pm saw blackfish  
and chased but they were wild and we could  
not catch them. Standing to the N<sup>W</sup> East  
At 4 Pm tacked to the North. No Whales No  
Nothing. Middle part squally with variable  
with variable winds. Latter part the same as the  
Middle. Lat By 28<sup>00</sup> 40 South Long by Chronom<sup>eter</sup>  
34<sup>00</sup> 33 East. The watch employed in various duties  
Ends the day trying to get to the N<sup>W</sup> East.

Tuesday Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light variable airs and calm.  
The watch employed fitting cutting blocks, new  
staysails, pendants &c. At 4 Pm took a  
pleasant breeze from the South and are now steer-  
ing to the N<sup>W</sup> East. Middle part strong gales  
from the South and rugged. Latter part the  
same as the Middle. Employed painting the  
old waiste boat. Steering E By compass. Lat By  
27<sup>00</sup> 00 East Long by Chronometer 37<sup>00</sup> 55 South  
Ends the in Ship's duty.

Wednesday Aug 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the South<sup>W</sup> and  
rugged weather. The watch employed in Ship's  
duty. At 3 Pm kept off N<sup>W</sup> E<sup>W</sup> North. Unbent the  
Fore Spence and stowed it away. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part blew  
out with fine breeze from the N<sup>W</sup> West. At  
8 Pm hauled up N<sup>W</sup> West. The watch employ-  
ed in Ship's duty. Lat By 24<sup>00</sup> 22 South Long  
by Chronometer 38<sup>00</sup> 49 East. Ends the day  
as usual.



Ship Crew 2nd Capt Parker of N Bedford Cruising for  
Whales in the Indian Ocean. Remains &c 1836  
Thursday Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with light gale from the South & and  
pleasant weather. The watch employed making  
warming &c, steering N by West. At 6 AM  
hailed up West. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part pleasant gale from  
the South and papath weather. Unbent the  
old maintop gallant sail and bent the new one  
Lat by 24.22 South Long by Chronometer  
36.48 East. The watch employed repairing  
the old M<sup>o</sup> S<sup>o</sup> Sail. End the day steering  
West.

Friday Jan 29<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong breezes from the South  
and pleasant weather. The watch employed  
repairing the old main S<sup>o</sup> Sail. At 7 AM took  
in sail heeled to the West and set 4 water  
- Middle Water part much the same as the first  
The watch employed repairing the old Foretop sail  
Lat by 25.04 South Long by Chronometer 36.44  
East. End the day steering to the Westward  
Took in the Carboards boat.

Saturday Jan 30<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gale from S East and  
fine weather. The watch employed repairing  
the old Fore Top sail & Carboards boat. At 1 PM  
saw the coast bearing N West distant 20 miles  
At 2 tacked tack to the N East. Finished the  
boat & topsail and stowed them away.  
At sunset shortened sail and set 4 water  
Middle part pleasant. Latter part pleasant gale  
from the ~~N West~~ <sup>N East</sup> and fine weather. At daylight  
made sail and stood to the N East under all  
sail. At 7 AM saw blackfish & Chando with 18 boats  
but could not catch them. The watch employed  
in Ship's duty. Lat by 24.50 South Long by Chrono  
35.15 East. End the day as usual.

Started water



Ship Cur and Capt Barker of N Bedford Cruising for  
Green Whales. Remarks &c 1836

Sunday Jan 31<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather from the East. The watch employed in Ship's duty. At 5 Pm tacked to the S<sup>W</sup> West. Saw trying to get to the E<sup>SE</sup> East. Middle part light airs and calm. Latter part pleasant with very light airs from the East<sup>W</sup>. At 10 Pm winds shifted to the South<sup>W</sup> and so continued untill the end. Ship's course by Compass E by S. Lat 04° 25' 56" South Long 35° 36' East. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Monday Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South<sup>W</sup> and fine weather. Saw a number of Seals this afternoon but no whales. Steering for Augustine bay after water &c. Ship's course E by South by Compass. Middle part strong breezes from the S<sup>SE</sup> East and cloudy. Latter part strong gales and rugged weather; steering to the East<sup>W</sup> by the winds. Saw more Seals this forenoon. The watch employed strapping fish tackle block making sundries. Lat 04° 25' 11" South Long by Chronometer 37° 16' East. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Tuesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

Started a bb of Beef  
and some M<sup>e</sup>lapes

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the South<sup>W</sup> and rugged weather. The watch employed in Ship's duty. Steering by the winds to the East<sup>W</sup>. Middle part the same as the first. The latter part rugged. Double reefed the Topsails. The watch employed fitting the ship &c fitting the ground tackle. Sparring the Starboard boat. Lat 04° 24' 13" South Long by Chronometer 39° 00' East. Ends the day standing to the East<sup>W</sup> under double reefed Topsails.

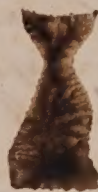


Ship *Ceres* and Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whales in the Indian Ocean Remarks &c 1836

Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Lost 5 Irons, one line  
and a part of second

Sperm Whales



Commenced with strong gales and rugged  
weather. At 2 PM saw whales and they gave  
up the ship. At 3 PM fastened to the bottom  
west at 4 PM saw them again and  
chained fastened to three and lost the wire  
and one line to boot. At dark came on  
boards and found the first all split to  
pieces which I saw hands beginning  
Middle & latter part the same as the first  
Untied the new jib and bent the old one  
Lat 24° 11' South Long 39° 11' East

Capt Barker quite unwell

Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales from the SE  
and rugged, squally, dirty weather. The  
watch employed in ship's duty. No whales  
been seen so far this 24 hours. Middle  
part strong gales from the East and squally  
latter part more pleasant. Shook the reefs out of  
the topsails and set the 3<sup>rd</sup> main & sail and  
made to the East. Lat 22° 53' South Long  
40° 25' East. Ende the day in ship's duty.

Capt Barker quite unwell

Friday July 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong pleasant gales from  
the South and fine weather. At 1/2 past all  
kept off North - not being able to fetch St  
Augustine Bay. The watch employed getting  
the rigging &c. At 4 PM shifted to the East  
wards at 5 wore to the Southwest and  
took in mainsail & 3<sup>rd</sup> sail. Middle part  
pleasant. Latter part the same. At daylight  
saw Europa Island bearing about E. N. E. by comp  
als - run down and sent in a boat after turtle  
saw a number but could catch one. After  
breakfast sent in three boats and caught one  
turtle and a few excellent fish. So Ends the  
day the boats not yet returned



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of *Bedford* Cruising for  
Seals

Remarke &c 1836

Saturday Feb 6<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale but cloudy -  
Lying off *Von Eil* Europa Islands at 2 Pm the  
boat returned and we squandered away to the  
North - At 4 Pm hauled up NE East and at 7  
NE by North - Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker quite sick - Middle  
part fair with pleasant breezes from the SE  
Latter part light airy & pleasant weather at 5  
Pm kept off SE East again - The watch em-  
ployed in ship's duty - Lat Feb 20° 3' South  
Long 40° 09' East - End of the day as usual

(Had a freshmess to day)  
off of our Turtles

Sunday Feb 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the SE East and  
fine weather but no fish. The watch employ-  
ed in ship's duty - Steering SE by East -  
At 7 Pm hauled up SE East - The Capt<sup>r</sup> still  
unwell - Middle part much of the same as  
the first - Latter part light variable airs and  
squally - Lat Feb 19° 17' South Long by Chron-  
ometer 40° 21' East - End of the day steering to  
the SE East when the wind will let us

Monday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Breeze

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the SE East  
and fine weather - Steering to the SE East  
under all sails - Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker is on the  
gaining hands again - Middle part the same  
as the first - Latter part calm & light wind from  
the eastward - The watch employed breaking out  
for water east - Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker much better -  
Lat Feb 18° 13' South Long by Chronometer 40° 37'  
East - End of the day in ship's duty



Ship *Ures* 2<sup>nd</sup> Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford Bound to  
the Islands of Lauzibae  
Tuesday Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1836

Remarks &c 1836

Deep, Port, & Stern -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the North.  
The watch employed setting up the Sails & masts  
rigging. At 11<sup>th</sup> tacked to the Eastward. Middle  
part calm - Latter part squally and light  
gales from the N. East - The watch employ-  
ed in various duty - Stuck up the Fore  
Main Royal masts &c Lat by 18.° 09' S  
Long 41.° 04' East - Standing to the  
Eastward -

Wednesday Feb 10<sup>th</sup>

Started watering

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from N. East  
and pleasant. Standing to the Eastward  
by the wind - The watch employed in  
ships duty - Middle part much the same  
as the first - Latter part squally from the  
N. East - beating about here trying to get  
to the North - The watch employed in various  
duties - Lat by 17.° 56' South Long by Chron-  
ometer 42.° 11' East - End the day as usual -

Thursday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>

Killed a Squall to day -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with small airs and pleasant -  
At 4 Pm tacked to the N. West - The watch  
employed drawing & knotting yarns - setting  
the rigging &c - Middle part squally from  
the Westward - Latter part strong breeze from the  
North and cloudy - The watch employed in  
ships duty - Shifting by the wind to the N. East  
Lat by 17.° 27' South Long by Chronometer 42.° 13'  
East - So End -



Ship Capt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Bound  
Toward Sanzibae. Remarks 1836.

Friday July 12<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with strong winds from the NW  
and cloudy. At 1/2 past one saw a sail ahead  
and about 1/2 past 2 PM saw the Islands of John  
De Nova bearing NE by East distant 3 leagues  
ran along pretty handy to it and tacked to  
westward. The sail proved to be a barge  
off Don Quelling. At sunset the NW part of the  
Islands bore NE by East distant 3 leagues -  
Middle part mainly with variable winds - Latter  
part light air from the North. Saw the barge  
boiling. Lat by 16° 56 South Long 41° 59 East  
End of the day in Ship's duty.

Saturday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Saw the Islands of John  
De Nova bearing ESE at  
6 AM.

Commenced with light airs and squalls of rain  
At 2 PM spoke the Atlas of Lynn with 2 right  
whales and three two sperm whales - months and  
told us that there had been a vessel wrecked on  
John De Nova and they came to a conclusion to  
go in and see what is the matter now. Middle  
part calm and very light airs from the west  
bore ship to the South. Latter part light gale  
from the East & South. No Land in sight  
this forenoon and by observation found that we  
had been currented to the Northward about 20 miles  
Lat by 16° 29 South Long by Chronometer 42° 20  
East or thereabouts. The Atlas in sight to  
leeward. End of the day in Ship's duty.

Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with pleasant gales and quite fresh  
weather. At 4 PM saw breaches to windward  
which we took to be sperm whales and looked  
but could not see anything more. Doing all  
we know to get to the East. At sunset the  
Islands bore ESE distant 25 miles. Winds  
light from SE. Middle part squally -  
Latter part strong gale from the East. Middle  
part squally. At daylight saw the Land bearing SE  
distant 20 miles. End of the day. beating up to  
the Islands. The Atlas out of sight.  
Lat by acct 16° 50 South Long 42° 40 East



Ship *Corvus* and Capt. Parker of *St. Bedford* Bound  
towards *Magellan* Remark 1836

Monday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1836

Lat by acct 14° 40' South  
Long by do 43° 5' East

Commenced with strong gales from the East  
and squally - Early in the day to get up to the  
Islands of *San De Nova* to take off the poor  
wretches - Carried away the Fore Tallsail & the  
stays & main tack - and after getting up some  
as to see a man on the beach we concluded  
finally that they were here shelling as their  
was hauled up in a very good spot of white sand  
beach - so we hauled up and kept her North and  
let her go - Middle part strong breezes and  
ruggeds - from the S.W. South - Latter part  
heavy gales from the South and ruggeds - At  
11 AM took in the Fore & Mizen Tallsails & Fores  
sail and hove her to under a close reefed Main  
Topsail - No Lat Nor Long obs

Tuesday Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales and heavy squalls  
from the South and a bad sea running - Lying to under a close reefed Main Tallsail  
heading to the Eastward - And blowing tremen-  
dously in squalls - Middle part the same  
Latter part Tremendous gales and a bad sea  
At 7 AM split the main Tallsail & took it in  
Here we are lying to under bare poles and when  
the current will set us we know not - but ex-  
-pectate that we are making about a North  
drift - Ends the day in Ships duty

Wednesday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with heavy gales from the South  
and an ugly sea running - Lying to under  
bare poles heading to the Eastward - when  
we shall find ourselves in the morning we  
know not - but I think it will moderate after  
midnight Now 8 AM and still blowing heavy  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter part  
Tremendous gales and a terrible sea - At 12 O'clock  
wore ship to the S.W. West and set the main  
Spencer & Fore Tallsails - So Ends - No Lat  
Nor Long to day - So thick you cannot see a  
mile -



Ship's Original Log Book of the *Medford* Bound from  
the *Island of Laysan* Remarks &c. 1836  
Thursday Sep<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with heavy squalls from the S.W.  
and very rugged still going to under a  
main Spruce and Fore Mast staysail.  
At 3 P.M. the winds hauled to the west<sup>ward</sup> which  
kicked up a sea ten times worse than it  
was before. wore ship to the South - Blowed  
away the Fore Mast staysail - Oh Dear another  
dismal, dark, stormy night and so thick we  
can scarcely see the end of the jibboom - At 5 P.M.  
reefed Wet the Fore sail - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part more moderate  
sent down the main Topp sail and commenced  
repairing it - No Latitude No Longitude to day  
Still standing to the South<sup>ward</sup>.

Friday Sep<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>

Started water

Commenced with strong breezes from the N.W. West  
and thick rainy weather after dinner bent the  
main Tails again Wet it Double reefed - At 2 P.M.  
wore ship to the North and set the Fore Mizzen  
Topsails Double reefed. At 3 P.M. took the reef out of the  
Fore sails and set the jib & Spanker - Middle  
part strong gale from N.W. West and cloudy -  
At 12 A.M. wore ship to the South<sup>ward</sup>. Latter part  
quite passable weather. At 3 A.M. wore ship to the  
Northwest - At 4 A.M. kept off North by East and made  
all sail - The watch employed repairing damages  
Lat Ob<sup>d</sup> 12° 26' South Long by Chronometer 41° 41'  
East. The first latitude Long we have had since  
last Saturday. Ende the day in ship's duty.

Saturday Sep<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gale and fine weather  
(in comparison to what we have had for a week  
past) - The watch employed repairing damages  
At 1 P.M. kept off N. East. Middle part being  
squally and light gale from the S.W. West. Latter  
part more pleasant - Steering N. East by Compass  
Have seen porpoises, Cowfish and tomorrow  
am in hopes we shall see whales - Lat Ob<sup>d</sup>  
11° 09' South Long by Chronometer 42° 33' East  
Ende the day in ship's duty



Ship Crews 2nd Capt Barker of Bedford Bound

Towards the Islands of Lauzeau. Remarks &c 1836

Sunday Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the S West and  
passable weather. The watch employed in ship  
duty. Steering N East by Compass. Middle part  
much the same as the first. Latter part equally  
with the winds from NW to N West. The watch em-  
ployed in ship's duty. Lat by Acet 10.00 South  
Long 43.20 East. Ends the day steering to the N.  
No Whales. No Nothing

Beef & Water is

Monday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the S West and  
now and then a rain squall - have seen a  
considerable quantity of drift stuff to day but  
No Whales. Steering to the N East. Middle  
part light airs & calms. Latter part very light  
baffling winds, calms, and fine weather. The  
watch employed in tacking the digging &c &c  
Lat by 9.17 South Long by Chronometer  
42.44 East. Ends the day by hauling up  
to the N West. I begin to think that the  
little Hercules has killed all the whales for  
they are as scarce here as hens teeth  
Cooper setting up Shakes

Tuesday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales and baffling weather  
The watch employed making rope, tarring the  
fore rigging, and so forth. Steering to the N West  
what we do steer, but the old ship steers very slow  
in light weather - Almost discouraged -  
I am quite sick of the Indian Ocean -  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter part  
small air from the East and pleasant -  
Cooper employed setting up Shakes. The watch  
employed tarring, painting the Foremast and  
the Stern - that is the Gingerhead work -  
Lat by 8.33 South Long by Chronometer 41.47  
East



Sup. Capt. 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of. Bedford Bound.  
the Island of Zanzibar Pemba 1836

Wednesday Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NE  
and fine weather. The watch employed painting  
the cabin to day. At 5 PM hauled up North  
Painted the cabin to day. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part squally with baffling  
air. Employed scraping the ship outside.  
Steering to the N.W. Lat by 7<sup>h</sup> 17' South  
Long 40<sup>h</sup> 40' East. Ends the day scraping  
The Cooper setting up Shacks.

Thursday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the NE and  
squally. The watch employed scraping.  
At 1 PM hauled up North. Saw a sail too but  
do not know who is it. At sunset Zanzibar was  
distant 100 miles. N.W. Middle part  
pleasant with light air from the E. NE. Latter  
part the same. Saw a number of doves or Abat vesp  
to windward. The watch employed in ship's duty.  
Lat by 6<sup>h</sup> 08' South Long by Chronom 40. 20 East  
Ends the day in ship's duty.

Friday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather from the NE  
and light air. Steering by the wind to the  
N.W. under all sail. The watch employed  
in ship's duty. At 5 PM kept off N.W. for  
Zanzibar it being 60 miles distant at 4 PM  
bearing the North point N.W. by west 1/2 west  
Middle part pleasant gales and fine weather  
Latter part the same. At 5 PM saw the Island  
of Pemba bearing N.W. distant 6 Leagues.  
hauled up North. At 12 AM kept off W. by South  
Employed painting the main Mizzen masts Lat  
by 5<sup>h</sup> 26' South Long by Chronometer 39. 49 East  
Ends.



Ship *Acres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Butcher of N Bedford bound to  
the Island of Zanzibar Perseus No 1836

Saturday Feb 27<sup>th</sup> 1836

Buff. Port

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NE  
and fine weather - Steering off W by South  
Zanzibar - Got the chains up & bent them & got  
the anchors off the bow and at 5 AM sufficed to  
off the South west part of Pinda to wait till  
morning - Middle part light airs from the  
NEast and pleasant At 12 M kept off NW  
Latter part the same as the middle - At daylight  
saw the Island of Zanzibar bearing W by South  
End of the day Steering for the harbor of  
Zanzibar -

Sunday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 1836

Broads opened -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the NEast  
and pleasant weather - At 7 AM came to  
anchor of the watering place in 5 fathoms  
water - Got all snug and set the watch  
(Anchor watches) One American brig here to  
sail to morrow - Middle part calm Latter  
part small baffling airs and pleasant - This  
morn<sup>d</sup> with the Kedge after sighting the  
Anchor & bent one watch on shore on Liberty  
No Latitude to day -

Monday Feb 29<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and light baffling airs  
At sunset the watch came off all but one  
The Capt on shore - Middle part pleasant  
Latter part the same as the middle - At daylight  
called all hands and sent a raft ashore after water  
After breakfast unbent the sails and comm<sup>d</sup> train-  
ing the ship - All 10 am the Danish brig got  
under weigh and went off and left our setting  
End of the day one watch on shore watering



Ship USS 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of Bedford lying at anchor  
in the Harbor of Loughbor'g Remasky Co. 1836

Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Rest

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and pleasant weather.  
Got a raft of 110 bbls water - Scraped the Starboard  
side of the ship in order to paint. Middle  
part the same. At daylight called all  
hands and comm<sup>d</sup> painting the Starboard side.  
Latter part small airs from the North and  
pleasant. After breakfast sent off one watch  
on Liberty. Ends the day painting.

Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from North and  
fine weather. One watch on Liberty. Employ-  
ed painting ship. Middle part rather boisterous  
on deck. Latter part pleasant. Stowed down  
our raft of water and sent the cask in again  
after more water. Some hands employed finishing  
the Starboard side of the ship.

Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather.  
At 3 Pm got off our second raft of water. Heeled the  
ship a port to paint the Starboard side. Middle  
Latter part the same as the first. Sent one watch  
on shore and commenced painting the Star-  
board side. So Ends Lying at Anchor.

Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather and pleasant breezes  
from the North & South. Employed painting. Had  
a shower of rain which made sad work with our  
paint. At sunset all come off but three. Middle  
Latter part the same as the first. Employed running  
down our water and getting our cask ashore for more.  
One watch ashore.

Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather. Could not fill our  
water owing to riverlet being too low. At sunset all  
came off but 3. Middle & Latter part the same  
as the first. After breakfast sent the watch ashore on  
Liberty. The other watch employed fitting cutting, painting  
sent down the main Top Ballant yards to cut some new  
holes in it. So Ends the day.



Navy Ship Stores and Capt. Barker of Bedford going on  
Anchor in Tarziban

Remarks 1836

Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather. Finished  
the J Bards sent it aloft and painted it  
At sunset all came off - Middle Water  
part the same as the first. This morning kedged  
off shore and weighed the Kedge. End of the day  
one watch on shore.

Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>

Bb of Brix

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. One watch on shore  
at sunset came on board - Middle Water  
part the same as the first. This morning beat  
the Topsails and fore sail - One watch shelling  
on the reef. End of the day going at Anchor

Tuesday March 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. At 4 PM the  
Pilot came on board. Got under weigh and  
run down to the Grand City and came to in  
11 fathoms water - Middle Water part the  
same as the first - One watch ashore on Liberty  
The rest employed in setting up the head stays

Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather - The watch  
employed in ship's duty - At sunset the Liberty  
men came off - Middle Water part equally  
from the South. Sent one watch on shore on  
Liberty and the other to fill water - So End of the day

Thursday March 10<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with hazy nasty weather. One watch  
ashore on Liberty - The other watch filled the  
water & came off to wait for the tide to rise to get it off  
At sunset all came off but two - Middle Water  
part more pleasant. At daylight sent off after  
our water, got it alongside about 8 AM - Got break  
fast and got in the water and sent one watch on  
Liberty, The other watch employed bending the  
J B sails, main sail & flying jib.



High Vessels and Capt. Barker of. Westfield & Co. as  
anchors at Zanzibar

Primary Dec 1836

Friday March 11<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with pleasant weather - Made the notice  
off to dine to day - hauled the ship and blacked  
her bend the Starboard Side - Middle Water  
part the same as the first - One watch on shore  
the other employed stowing water betwixt decks and  
clearing up the deck - So Ends the day -

Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather and smooth -  
One watch on shore - Got all snug ready for  
sea and in the morning hope we shall go  
Middle Water part the same as the first - At 8 Am  
took our anchor and went to sea with the pilot  
on board - Got past the dangers and at half past  
11 Am the pilot left us - So Ends -

Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light variable winds and rain  
At 2 Am the winds hauled to the Eastwards and  
steered S E by Compass - Hauled the anchors  
and got all snug - At sunset the South part  
of Zanzibar bore N E 1/2 East. Ship heading  
S E by East by Compass - At 7 Am fresh gales from  
the N East - hauled the S Sails - Middle Water  
part the more pleasant - At 10 Am tacked to  
the North. Latter part the same as the Middle  
At 2 Am tacked to the East again - At 10 Am  
saw Latham's Islands bearing S by South.  
Lat by 6° 46 South End of the day in ship's duty

Monday March 14<sup>th</sup>

Capt. Barker quite unwell

Commenced with pleasant gale from N East and  
fine weather - At 1 Am kept off S by East to go to  
Leward of the Islands and when the Islands bore  
North 30 degrees west by Compass 8 1/2 miles distant  
7 miles got soundings in 12 1/4 fathoms -  
Owen says down soundings 30 fathoms 3 1/2 miles  
from the shore - At 3 hauled by the winds to the  
S East - At sunset took in S Sails and set 4 water  
Middle Water part calm - Capt. Barker very  
sick - The watch employed in ship's duty -  
Lat by 6° 47 South Long by Chronometer  
40° 14 East - So Ends the day going wherever  
the current sets -



Ship *Coris* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of *Bedford* cruising for  
Spice in the Indian Ocean. Remarks 1836.

Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light airs from the East<sup>d</sup>  
and calms. The watch employed middle  
stretching the sails. At 5 PM the winds hauled  
to the South<sup>d</sup> & tacked to the East<sup>d</sup>. At sunset  
took in sail & set four watches. Capt Barker very  
sick. Middle part part pleasant latter part  
squally. At 9 PM saw whales and chased with  
three boats but it came up thick & squally  
and we had to come on board again the  
same as we went. Lat by Acct 6° 06' South  
Long by do 40° 10' East. Ended the day squally.

Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
West<sup>d</sup> and squally. At 2 PM cleared up  
quite pleasant & standing to the N West  
under all sail. At sunset took sail in  
wore ship to the East and set the water.  
Capt Barker more comfortable to day.  
Middle part calm latter part light gales  
from the West<sup>d</sup>. Saw the Islands of Pemba  
bearing West distant 6 or 8 leagues. Found a  
strong westerly current setting here. Steering to  
the East<sup>d</sup>. Lat by 5° 06' South Long by Chron  
40° 17' East. Ended the day in ship's duty.

Thursday March 17<sup>th</sup>

Port opened

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calms & very light gales from the  
West<sup>d</sup> and squally. Hauled up & by South.  
At 4 PM the winds shifted to the N East. At  
sunset took in sail & set four watches. No Land  
in sight. Capt Barker more comfortable but  
is now a sick man. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part very light gales and pleas-  
ant. Saw a bark ship to leeward - did not speak  
here. Employed repairing sails. Lat by 5° 32'  
South - Long 40° 41' East. Ended the day in  
ship's duty.



Friday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1836

Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light baffling air & calm. The  
watch employed repairing the ship. Steering  
to where - or any where - Capt Barker getting  
better. No sight of P. Whole watches, to work to  
the eastward. Middle part light air and  
pleasant weather. Steering to the SE East latter  
part nearly calm. Latter part - Lat  $45^{\circ} 59'$   
Long  $110^{\circ} 45'$  East. Ends the day in ship's duty.

Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>



Commodore with light air from the East<sup>th</sup> and  
pleasant - At 3 PM raised whaly 7 miles off. At  
half past 3 PM lowered and chased - Struck two  
and killed two took them to the ship about  
dark - got all snug and set four watches -  
Middle pleasant breeze from East East - Latter  
part the same - At daylight called all  
bands and got breakfast and commenced  
cutting - Cut in one whale and hove the other  
in whole - Lat 04 6.04 South Long 140.09  
East - got the head cleared away and began  
to boil about 11 AM. Ends the day boiling -

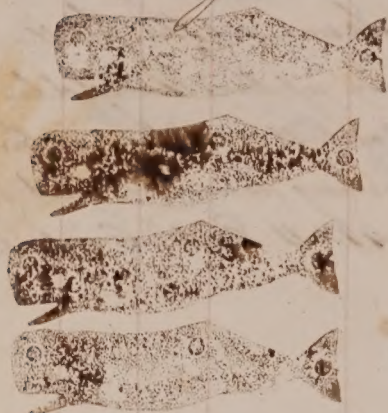


Ship *Ceres* Capt. Butler of Bedford Cruising for  
 Whales in the Indian Ocean. *Memorandum* No. 1836

Monday March 21<sup>st</sup> 1836

Beef Molasses &

Vinegar started this day



Commenced with light breezes from the South &  
 and hot sultry weather. Employed boiling  
 Saw one little solitary whale (a calf) which  
 I expect got badly frightened yesterday and  
 lost the run of the school. Middle part fine  
 ant. Finished boiling about 11 am. Latter part  
 squally. At half past 10 am saw whales and  
 chased struck & killed four so Ends chasing  
 ing whales got four turned up

Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Mistake



Commenced (chasing whales) with fine weather. then  
 I killed 2 or two which make up six with the four  
 that we killed this forenoon. Got the last  
 whale to the ship about 11 am. All hands  
 turned in but the Capt. Middle part the  
 same as the first. At daylight called all hands  
 and cut in one whale and got breakfast  
 After breakfast turned to and cut in three  
 more and got dinner and then cut in the  
 remaining two. Got all so Ends the day  
 No Lat nor Longitude to day

Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Bread & Flour

Commenced with pleasant light gales from the  
 South fine weather. Employed cutting.  
 Finished cutting about 5 PM & got supper &  
 started the fire. At 6 PM set the watch  
 Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
 part light air & calms. All hands employed  
 boiling & clearing away the heads. At 12 M  
 saw whales but they were a long distance  
 off and going quick to the West. Lat 05  
 44 South Long 40 54 East. Ends the  
 day boiling.



Ship Comd<sup>g</sup> Capt Parker of H. B. S. "Albatross" Cruising for  
Whales in the Indian Ocean. Remarks. 1836

Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant light air  
from the East - Employed boiling  
Saw a bark to leeward cutting whale or  
whales - Steering to the N East -  
Middle part the same as the first -  
Latter part the same as the Middle -  
Finished boiling about 10 AM (that is the body)  
and commenced boiling heads - Lat 04<sup>h</sup>  
4<sup>m</sup> 38 South Long 41<sup>m</sup> 11 East. Ends the day  
boiling -

Friday March 25<sup>th</sup> 1836

Started water -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breeze from the South  
and hot sultry weather - Finished boiling about  
4 PM and washed off. The whales turned  
up about 125 M. At 7 PM set 4 watches  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter  
part squally - Employed in Ship's duty -  
Lat 04<sup>h</sup> 5<sup>m</sup> 19 South Long by Chronometer  
40<sup>m</sup> 34 East - Ends the day standing to the  
South -

Also Stand off Duty -

Saturday March 26<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air and pleasant weather  
The watch employed in Ship's duty. Saw  
some "Seamouths" this afternoon but no whales  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter  
part cloudy - Commenced stowing down our  
oil in the main hatchway - Stowed about 50  
M and 20 Ends the day - S 1/2 O is the mark  
for body oil and S 1/4 O is the mark for heads  
Capt Parker more unwell again & Mr  
Smith down too -  
Stowed down about 69 M oil



Ship *Arcturion* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whales in the Indian Ocean. Remarks &c 1836

Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup> 1836



Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
East and fine weather. At 4 AM saw  
whales and chased and got two after  
getting fast to six - got them alongside  
and made sail to work off the Land  
it being about 8 or 10 Leagues distant bearing  
at Sunset West. Middle part strong  
breezes and fine weather. At 12 O'clk hove  
the head yards aback and let her lay -  
 Latter part the same of the first - Cut in our whale  
wore ship to the West and commenced boiling  
Lat  $44^{\circ} 57'$  South Long  $40^{\circ} 10'$  East  
Capt Barker. Mr Smith and four hands off  
duty.

Monday March 28<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant breezes from the  
South and cloudy. At 1 PM saw the *Arcturion*  
bearing W by South distant 20 miles -  
At 2 PM wore to the ESE and at 6  
PM set the watch. Middle part pleasant  
Finished boiling about 2 PM. Latter part calm  
All hands employed in the main hatchway  
stowing down our oil. Lat  $45^{\circ} 05'$  South  
Long  $40^{\circ} 49'$  East. End the day stowing  
down. Saw Blackfish. Four hands off duty  
Capt B. & Mr Smith on the mending hand.

Tuesday March 29<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light airs and calms. Finished  
stowing down the cold oil (about 6 PM)  
Standing to the South. At Sunset took in sail  
and set the watch. Capt Barker much better  
Middle part pleasant. Latter part the same  
Had a bit of a squall with Capt Brown  
for abuse. The watch employed in ship's  
duty. Lat  $45^{\circ} 37'$  South Long  $40^{\circ} 30'$   
East.



Ship's Log and Capt. Parker of W. Bedford Cruising for  
Sperm in the Indian Ocean. Remarks &c. 1836

Wednesday March 31<sup>st</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine  
weather. The wind from the N.E. East.  
The watch employed in Ship's duty. Steered  
to the N.W. At sunset took in sails  
luffed to the wind and set four watches.  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
part squally. At 6 AM saw the island of  
Pomba bearing N.W. distant 25 miles.  
At 12 AM spoke the Bark Marianna Capt  
Coleman of London 8 M<sup>ts</sup> out with coobles  
Sperm oil. The Capt. came on board and  
we got dinner. Lat 0° 5' 11 South Long  
4° East. So End the day.

Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>

By J. Parker

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather.  
The Capt. of the Marianna on board of us  
steering to the E. East. At sunset took in sails  
and set four watches. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part light gales  
and pleasant. The watch employed in Ship's  
duty. Lat 0° 5' 28 South Long 41° 30 East.  
End the day in Ship's duty.

Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant gales  
and cloudy. The Marianna out of sight.  
The watch employed in Ship's duty. At sunset  
took in sails and set four watches: headed  
to the North. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part pleasant with light gales  
from the Eastwards. Employed breaking  
out between decks after oil cask & to show  
heads &c. At 6 AM saw a large whale  
and lowered and chased but he went  
down and we never saw any thing more  
of him. Lat 0° 4' 48 South Long 4° East.  
So End the day.



Ship *Ceres* and *Capt Barker* of *Woodford* *Cruising* for  
Pearl in the Indian Ocean. *Pennant No 1156*

Saturday March

April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836

Commenced with pleasant gales & fine weather  
The *Capt* & mate of the *Briton* on board as  
their ship is a long way off. Hove down  
the remainder of our oil about 20 Mj & cleaned  
up the deck. And at sunset took in sail  
& set 4 watches steering North — Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part light  
airs from the East<sup>erly</sup> and fine weather.  
Employed in ship's duty. Steering to the west  
Lat  $4^{\circ} 13'$  South Long  $40^{\circ} 15'$  East

Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with light gales and pleasant  
weather. Steering to the West. The *Mariana*  
out of sight. Employed in ship's duty.  
Saw the Land bearing N West distant 40 miles  
Hauled up South. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part pleasant gales and fine  
weather. Steering to the South. At 9 am  
Kept off N by South. The *Mariana* in sight  
to leeward. Lat  $5^{\circ} 04'$  South Long  $40^{\circ} 16'$   
East. Ended the day in ship's duty.

Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light gales from the East<sup>erly</sup>  
and fine weather. Steering to the South  
and west. At sunset took in sail and set  
4 watches. The *Briton* off our Leas. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant  
with light gales from E East. At daylight  
Kept off West. At 10 am saw the land bearing  
W by South. Employed repairing the new  
sails. Lat  $4^{\circ} 20'$  South Long  $40^{\circ} 00'$   
East. Ended the day in ship's duty.  
The *Mariana* in sight to leeward.



Ship Crew and Capt. Barker of. Bedford's Cruising for  
Specimens in the Indian Ocean. Remarks No. 1836

Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the E & East  
pleasant weather. The watch employed repairing  
the Middle Stitching the new Main Top sail  
At 3 P.M. Capt. Barker went on board of the  
Mariana to tea - and carried the fluke  
chain to get mended - At sunset the  
returned - took in sail and hauled to the  
wind to the N East. Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part light gales and  
pleasant. Employed repairing the new Top  
sails. Tacked to the N West. Lat 4<sup>th</sup> 55'  
Long 40<sup>th</sup> 15' East

Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>

Hour

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light gales from the East  
and fine weather. At 4 P.M. the Capt. of the  
Mariana came on board and brought the  
fluke chain (having mended it) - At 7 P.M.  
he returned to his ship and we stood to the  
N West and then to the E N East - and took  
in sail, set the watches &c. Middle part  
the same as the first - At 2 A.M. wore ship to  
the East. Latter part pleasant gales and fine  
weather. Employed repairing the mainsail  
Lat 4<sup>th</sup> 53' South Long 40.57 East  
End of the day steering to the E & East  
The Mariana out of sight

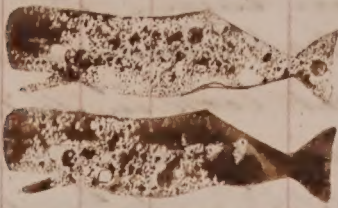
Thursday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes and fine  
weather - Finished the mainsail and  
broke out after water - Saw breaches just at  
sunset but they were a long distance to  
windward and we could not go. Took  
in sail and set watches. Middle part  
pugged with strong breezes from the South.  
At 12 o'clock wore ship to the South west.  
Latter part pleasant with very light breezes from  
the E East. Employed repairing the fore top  
mast staysails. Lat 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 13' South Long  
41<sup>th</sup> 22' East End of the day steering to the  
N West



Ship, Crew and Capt. Bartine of N Bedford Whaling for  
Spinn in the Indian Ocean. Remarks 1836

Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1836 - Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes and fine  
weather. At 1 Pm kept off N West. The water  
employed in repairing. The S<sup>t</sup> M sail - have  
seen nothing at all at all to day - At Sunset  
took in Sail West 2 watches - Middle part  
squally. Latter part strong breezes from the  
Eastward. Steering West - At 4 Pm saw whales and  
chased. Struck three & got two. took them to  
the ship got them snug & got dinner. So End  
the day - Lat by Reck 5<sup>h</sup> 33 South Long  
40<sup>h</sup> 50 East.



Lost 2 rows and  
half a line.

Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squalls from the Eastward  
and rugged - Cut in our whales clean  
away the scalps and got them overboard -  
Got supper and set half watches. So squally  
shall not boil to night - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part light and  
pleasant. Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about 7 Pm  
began to boil - After breakfast took in the  
Starboard boat and repaired her. Lat by  
5<sup>h</sup> 37 South Long 41<sup>h</sup> 40 East. End the  
day boiling - One hand off Duty

Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air & calm. Employed  
boiling - At sunset a light breeze sprang  
up from the South - Took in Sail & set  
half watches - Steering to the Eastward  
Middle part the same as the first. Finished  
boiling about 10 Pm - Latter part fine  
breezes from the East and pleasant  
Washed off and made sail and Hood  
to the Eastward till 10 Am then kept off  
N West and let her go until the end  
Lat by 5<sup>h</sup> 44 South Long 42<sup>h</sup> 21 East  
One hand off Duty.



Monday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1836

Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and squally -  
from the East. At 2 Pm fine weather  
again and so continued through the after  
noon. At sunset took in sail and hauled  
to the NEast - Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker about as  
Yesterday - Middle part pleasant - Latter  
part the same - At daylight made all  
sail and kept off N. West. The watch  
employed in various duties. Lat 45-38  
Long 48 " 00 East. Ends the day in ship's  
duty. Saw the lands about 11 Am bearing  
West - One band off Duty



Ship Capt and Capt Barker of the Bedford arriving from  
Spain in the Indian Ocean

Remarks No 1136

Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1836

Capt Barker more  
comfortable

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes and pleasant  
At 1 Pm hauled our winds to the East  
and let her go. The watch employed  
repairing the main spencers. At 3 Pm  
saw a bark supposed to be the Mariana  
did not speak here. At sunset set half  
watches to work up to windwards Middle  
past light airs from the South. Latter part  
calm. Employed with the main spencer  
Lat 0° 22' 22" South Long 41° 18' East  
Ends the day in Ships duty  
One hands off Duty

Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>

Breeds

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and very light  
airs from the South. At 6 Pm a pleasant  
breeze sprang up from the East and  
we are now striving to get to the South  
Capt Barker more comfortable. Middle  
past strong breezes from the Eastwards and  
pleasant. Latter part the same. At 6  
Am kept off N West. The watch employed  
in Ships duty. Saw nothing but Scamp  
cups to day. Lat 0° 5' 30" South Long by  
Chronometer 40° 50' East. Ends the  
day in Ships duty One hands off Duty

Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>

Drift Port

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
Eastward and fine weather but no whaling  
Steering off N by North. The watch em-  
ployed in Ships duty. At sunset took in  
sails hauled to the East and set 4 watches  
Capt Barker about the same as yesterday.  
Middle past the same as the first P. Latter  
part pleasant. At daylight made sails and  
kept off N West. At 10 Am saw the land  
bearing West distant 10 Leagues. Saw a sail  
to the N East and hauled our winds to the  
North. Lat 0° 5' 07" South Long 40° 08' East  
One hands off Duty



Ship Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker of S Bedford's Cruising for  
Whales in the Indian Ocean November 1836

Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and  
fine weather - At 2 PM spoke the Maria  
- and Capt<sup>d</sup> Coleman came on board  
not having taken any thing since we saw  
them before - At sunset the capt<sup>d</sup> went on  
board - He shortened sails & set  
standing to the South - Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker  
comfortable - Middle part squally -  
12 o'clock tacked to the North - Latter part lighter  
airs and calm - At daylight made sail and  
tackled off Southwest - The Maria still in  
sight - Lat 04° 46' South Long 40° 24'  
East - Ende the day in Ship's duty  
One hand off duty

Monday April 18<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light baffling airs and  
pleasant - At 2 PM took a light breeze  
from West - stood to the East - till  
6 PM when the wind hauling to the South  
tacked to the West and set half watch  
Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker much better to day -  
Middle part light gales from East and  
squally - At 2 PM tacked off shore and  
here go - Latter part strong baffling winds  
and squally - At 4 PM tacked in shore  
again - And at daylight saw the Island of  
Pemba bearing N by South distant 6 leagues  
At 10 AM tacked off shore again -  
Lat 04° 42' South Long 40° 07' East  
do. End One hand off duty

Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
South and fine weather - The Maria  
still in sight - At 4 PM Capt<sup>d</sup> Coleman  
came on board & took tea - Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker  
much better - At dark Capt<sup>d</sup> Coleman  
returned to his ship - Middle part squally  
standing to the East - At 3 PM tacked to the  
Southwest - Latter pleasant - The watch employed  
trimming ship - Lat 04° 27' South  
Long 41° 00' East - Ende the day standing  
in shore - One hand off duty -



Ship. *Coris* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford. Cruising for Spence  
In the Indian Ocean. Remarks &c 1836  
(Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales but baffling  
from South East to South. At 12<sup>PM</sup> tacked  
Ship to the Eastw<sup>d</sup> and bent the main  
Spencers. Employed in various duties  
Capt Barker about the same as yesterday.  
Squally to night. The *Marianne* in Toga  
Middle part squally. Latter part more pleas-  
-ant. The watch employed in Ship's duty.  
Lat by 4<sup>th</sup> 41<sup>st</sup> 05 South. Long 41<sup>st</sup> 32 East  
Ends the day steering to the East  
One hand off duty.

Thursday April 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the South  
and squally. Employed beating to get  
to the South. Capt Barker on the mending  
hands. Middle part strong breezes from  
the Southeast and squally. Hoisted Top  
& Sails & Hgitts. Latter part more pleasant  
steering to the West. Lat by 4<sup>th</sup> 41<sup>st</sup> 49 S.  
Long 41<sup>st</sup> 36 East Ends the day in  
Ship's duty.  
One hand off duty.

Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
South and squally. At 12<sup>PM</sup> tacked  
to the East. The watch employed in  
various duties. Capt Barker much  
better. Middle part squally. Latter  
part rugged & squally. Employed in  
Ship's duty. Lat by Acct 5<sup>th</sup> 41<sup>st</sup> 15 South  
Long 41<sup>st</sup> 40 East ends the day in  
Ship's duty.  
One hand off duty.



Ship USS 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. T. Parker of W. Redford's Cruising for Seal  
In the Indian Ocean. Remarks No. 1836

Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the South and squally. This afternoon saw a breach but did not see any more of it. Capt. Parker getting along shore. At 6 PM wore ship to the west. Middle part strong gales and cloudy. Latter part quite passable weather. Employed in ship's duty. Lat. 04° 45' 09" South Long 40° 42' East. Ends the day standing to the west. Capt. Parker has been on deck a little while to day - the first time for fourteen days.

Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs and more than a strong breeze from the South. Employed in ship's duty. Capt. Parker much better. At 1 PM tacked to the Eastward, and made all sail. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant with fresh gale from the S.W. The watch employed in ship's duty. Lat. 04° 45' 59" South Long 42° 04' East. Ends the day in ship's duty.

Monday April 25<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the S.W. and squally. At 2 PM saw whales. At 4 PM hove to and struck, killed & took four to the ship. Cabled them and took four watches. Middle part squally. Latter part more pleasant. At daylight called all hands, got breakfast and commenced cutting. At 11 AM the last piece came in. Lat 04° 45' 58" South Long 43° 00' by West. Capt. Parker gaining slowly. One hand off duty.



Ship Vessel 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising for Whales

In the Indian Ocean

Remark No 1836

Tuesday April 26<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally weather from the West. At 5 PM started a fire - at 6 had to cool down again. At 1/2 past 6 began anew. Capt Barker more better - Middle part more pleasant. Latter part the same as the middle. The winds variable from NW to East. Lat Ob 5.22 South Long 42.34 East. Ends the day boiling - Steering to the South when the winds will let us. One hand off duty.

Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>

(Flows)

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the East and cloudy. Steering to the South. Finished boiling about 5 PM. The whale turned up about 55 lbs. Capt Barker getting better slowly. Middle part strong gales from the East and rugged. Latter part the same as the middle. Lat Ob 7.02 South Long 41.43 East. Ends the day in ship's duty steering to the South West. At 9 PM doubled the Topsails.

Thursday April 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and squally weather from the East. The Cooper employed making a deck cooler. The rest of the watch employed in ship's duty. Standing to the South West. Capt Barker much better. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant with a fine breeze from E. East. Employed in various duties. Lat Ob 8.13 South Long 40.54 East. Ends the day by tacking to the NE East.



Ship Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising for

In the Indian Ocean. Remarks to 1836.

Friday April 29<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant-gale and fine weather - At 1 Pm tacked to the Southward. The watch employed cropping the oil is Capt Barker gaining slowly - Middle part the same as the first - At 12 Oclk tacked to the East N East - Latter part pleasant from the Southeast. Comm<sup>d</sup> stowing down our oil - Lat Ob 8° 35 South Long 40° 44 East. Ends the day in Ships duty

Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>

(80) Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and pleasant weather from the East - Steering to the E N East - Employed stowing away the oil - The last 6 whales stowed down 79 bbls oil is Capt Barker gaining slowly - Middle part the same as the first - Latter part pleasant-gale and fine weather from the S.E. Steering by the winds to the Eastward. The watch employed in Ships duty Lat Ob 7° 32 South Long 43° 01 East. To End

Beef & Apples

Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the East and fine weather - The watch employed in Ships duty - Standing to the Eastward with all sail set - Capt Barker getting to be quite smart again - Middle part the same as the first - Latter part very pleasant indeed - Employed beating to the Southeast. Lat Ob 6° 40 South Long 43° 02 East.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of N Bedford Cruising for *Slaves*

In the Indian Ocean

Remarked 10 1836

Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
SEast and fine weather - Employed  
trying to get to the SEast - Capt Barker  
was getting to be quite smart - Standing  
to the Eastwards under all sail -  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter  
part light airs and pleasant - Bent the new  
No 3 Gallant sail - and unbent the foretop  
Gallant sail and comm<sup>d</sup> repairing it -  
Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 5:58 South Long 44:45 East -  
End of the day standing to the East. The  
cooper employed repairing water cask

Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Bread

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light airs from the SEast  
and pleasant but inclines to be squally  
Employed repairing the old No 3 Gallant sail  
Tacked to the South about 2 PM - The  
cooper employed repairing the water cask  
Capt Barker not so well again -  
Middle part much the same as the first  
Latter part the same as the middle -  
Employed breaking out after old shoot &  
head - Latitude 6:59 South Long  
43:38 East - End of the day standing  
to the SEast

Wednesday May 4<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light baffling airs and  
squally - The cooper employed setting  
up old shocks - Capt Barker better  
again to day - Standing to the SEast with  
all sail out - Middle part much the  
same as the first - At 2 PM tacked  
to the Eastwards - Latter part quite plea-  
sant with a fine breeze from the South  
and SEast - Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 7:26 South  
Long 43:59 East - End of the day  
steering to the East



Ship Capt 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
In the Indian Ocean Remarks &c 1836

Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
south and fine weather - Employed in  
ships duty - Coopers employed setting  
up old Shocks - Standing to the East  
with all sails out - Middle part  
squally from the South & West -  
 Latter part more pleasant Saw a sail to  
windward supposed to be the Marianna  
The watch employed in ships duty -  
Lat Ob 7<sup>th</sup> 39 South Long 45<sup>th</sup> 15 East

Friday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant breezes from the  
south<sup>d</sup> and fine weather - Capt Barker  
much better - Coopers employed in  
setting up old Shocks - At sunset  
spoke the Marianna. Has not seen  
a sperm whale since they left Puer  
Steering by the wind to the East & South  
Middle part squally - Latter part more  
pleasant - The Marianna in sight to  
windward - Lat Ob 8<sup>th</sup> 06 South - Long  
46<sup>th</sup> 14 East - End the day in ships duty  
Saw a finback to day

Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup> 1836

Port -

Comm<sup>t</sup> with strong breezy from the South  
and rugged - At 1/2 past 12 Capt Coleman  
came on board and spent the afternoon  
Capt Barker much better - At sunset  
Capt Coleman went on board and we tacked  
to the West - Middle part squally -  
 Latter part strong gale from the East & S  
rugged weather - At 9 am single reefed the  
topsails and let her go South - The Marianna  
in sight astern - Lat Ob 9<sup>th</sup> 15 South  
Long 45<sup>th</sup> 46 East - End the day steering  
South -



Ship *Ures* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Sound Toward  
Comoro Island

Remarks No. 1836

Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup> 1836 Commenced with strong breezes from the  
Eastwards and rugged. The *Marianna*  
out of sight astern. Steering South under  
single reefed topsails. Middle part  
light baffling airs and squally. Latter  
part pleasant with light gales from the  
East. Lat by 10<sup>h</sup> 36 South Long 45<sup>h</sup> 24  
by Chronometer. Sunday 45<sup>h</sup> 35 East &  
44<sup>h</sup> 58 East. End of the day steering South  
by the winds. — Capt. Barker gaining  
slowly. —

Monday May 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light airs from the East  
and pleasant. At 5 Am kept off. E. W.  
Capt. Barker gaining slowly. Middle  
part light gales and calm. Latter part  
squally. At 6 Am saw the Island of Sohan  
na bearing South East and Comoro bear-  
ing N. West distant 50 miles. Lat by  
Acet 11<sup>h</sup> 20 South. Employed cleaning  
ship.

Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with baffling airs & squally.  
Steering for the passage between Sohanua  
& Comoro. At sunset the South point of  
Comoro bore N. by South. & the middle of  
Sohanua bore East. Tacked to the East-  
ward. Middle part baffling winds and  
flawy. Latter part strong breezes from the  
East & South. At 8 Am tacked to the N. W.  
and saw Sohanua bearing N. by West distant  
40 miles. Saw the *Marianna* to wind-  
ward. Lat by 11<sup>h</sup> 46 South Long 44<sup>h</sup> 07  
East. End of the day in ship's study.



Ship *Ures 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of New Bedford Cruising  
About the Comoro Islands

Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs and calms  
At 1 P.M. took a fresh breeze from SE  
At 4 P.M. saw Comoro & Mohilla - Steering  
by the winds to the Southwest - At sunset  
the West point of Mohilla bore NW the  
Peak of Johanna SE and the weather  
point of Comoro SE & South - Middle  
part strong gales and cloudy - Beating up  
to Mohilla - Latter part the same as the  
first - winds from SE & South - Set of Mohilla  
End the day as we began it - Capt  
Barker quite smart

Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from SE &  
South and fine weather - Working up  
along the Islands of Mohilla - At sunset  
the Islands of Comoro the weather point bore  
NW the West bluff NW the West point  
of Mohilla bore SE by West and the SE point  
SE by South is the nearest land distant 3 days  
steering by the winds to the SE & South - Middle  
part fresh gale from the South and fine wea-  
ter - At daylight got the anchor off the bow  
bent the chains and got all snug for coming to  
Latter part flowing and strong breezes from the  
SE & East - At 11 P.M. came to anchor in the harbor  
of Johanna in 15 fathoms of water - the town  
bearing East and Saddle Island  
End the day by furling the sails and getting  
dinner

Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather - Lying at  
anchor in Johanna - The Morianes lying  
here watering - Middle Water part the same  
as the first - Employed breaking out after  
raft case - Coopers employed setting up shales  
Long by Chronometer 45 34 East it being  
1/4 mile too much to the Eastward - End the  
day breaking out & starting water

Hour opened



Ship *Arcturion* Capt. Barker of Bedford Lying at an  
Anchor in the Harbor of Johanna

Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with fine weather from the  
West - Lying at Anchor in Johanna -  
All hands employed getting a raft ready  
to go on shore &c. The Cooper employed  
setting up Shocks - Middle part the same  
Later part pleasant - Sent a raft of cask on  
shore for water - They returned with the raft  
About 10 Am - hauled the ship - Long by  
Chronometer 44.35 East - End the day  
in ship's duty - One watch on shore on  
Liberty -

Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales off the Land  
and fine weather - Lying at Anchor in  
Johanna - Blacked the bendy the Starboard  
side - Cooper employed setting up Shocks  
Middle part the same - Later part pleasant  
Sent one watch on shore on Liberty -  
No Long to day -

Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales and fine weather  
Arrived ship *Triton* of Portsmouth 6 days from  
Mozambique having left the Capt there sick  
and the present is now sick (the occasion of her  
coming here) - Middle & Later part the same  
as the first - Employed getting off water - One  
watch ashore on Liberty - Long. 44.32 East

Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales and fine weather  
At 1 Pm they came off with the raft - cold tarrid  
&c - Middle & Later part the same as the  
first - So Ends - One watch on Liberty -

Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup>

Lack of Bread

Commenced with pleasant weather - One watch  
on Liberty - The other watch employed stowing  
away water - Cold tarring the bendy - Got off  
our last raft of water this afternoon - Capt  
Barker down again - Middle & Later part  
the same as the first - Lat 07 12.07 South  
Stowing away water &c -



Ship *Miss<sup>gnd</sup>* Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of *Widford* Cruising  
Lying at *Shanna* (Comoro Islands)  
Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>t</sup> as usual - The watch on shore  
on liberty - The hands on board employed in  
various duties - Still lying at anchor -  
Middle part the same Latter part pleasant  
Employed setting up the rigging - So End

Friday May 20<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>t</sup> as usual - The watch employed  
setting up the rigging - One watch on shore  
Middle & Latter part very pleasant - Lat 12° 08' South - Ende the day lying at anchor

The *Shanna* boy (Robert) deserted us

Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with a swell setting from the  
Eastwards. Otherwise pleasant - One watch  
on shore - Unbent the maintopsails - Capt  
Barker quite smart - Middle & Latter part  
the same as the first - Got off 7 bullocks and a raft  
of water - So End

Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with fine weather - Lying at anchor  
The ship ready waiting for a wind - Middle  
& Latter part the same as the first -  
Lat 12° 07' Long 44° 39' East

Monday May 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> as usual - At 3 Pm Robert Roberts  
(present master of Ship *Tilton* of Portsmouth)  
died of a fever and tomorrow will be buried  
after which we shall take our anchor and go  
to sea - Middle part the same as the first  
Latter part pleasant with light-buffing airs  
At sunrise took the corpse of Mr Roberts on shore  
and after reading a prayer over him consigned  
his body to the grave - After which we came  
on board and got breakfast - At 10 Am took  
our anchor and sailed out of the Harbor of  
*Shanna* in company with the *Marianna* -  
They steering to the North and we to West  
Ende the day stowing the anchors -



Ship *Clas 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising  
about the Comoro Islands

Tuesday May 24<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
south and fine weather - Got anchor and  
Beef - chains stowed and decks clear - At sunset  
the South point of ~~the~~ Mohilla bore N E  
and Saddle Island bearing E E East -  
Standing to the westward towards Mohilla  
under easy sail - Middle & Latter part  
the same as the first - Unbent the  
Fore topsail and sent it on deck -  
End the day repairing it - Beating up  
the passage between Mohilla & Sohauna

Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup>

Started Molasses

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine  
weather - Employed repairing the Foretop  
sail - Finished & bent it again - Saw a ship  
of the North point Sohauna supposed  
to be the Triton - At sunset the South point  
of Mohilla bore W by South the S West point  
of Sohauna bore E by North - and Saddle  
Islands North by Compass - Middle  
& Latter part the same as the first - Saw breaches  
a long distance off but could not see any  
fish - The watch employed squeezing Limes  
Stopping chafes &c - Lat  $12^{\circ} 34'$  South -

Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the S W  
and fine weather - Employed in ship's duty  
Standing over towards Sohauna - At sunset  
the South point bearing by Compass E E East  
Middle part light airs and pleasant  
Latter part pleasant with fresh gales from  
Southeast - Sohauna & Mohilla in sight  
Employed repairing the old main topsail  
Lat  $12^{\circ} 44'$  South - Long about  $43^{\circ} 30'$   
End the day in ship's duty -



Ship *Miss 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of Woodford Cruising  
About the Comoro Islands

Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale from the S.W.  
and fine weather. Employed repairing  
the old main Top-sails. Steering by the  
winds to the S.W. Middle Water part the  
same as the first. Comm<sup>d</sup> coopersing the  
oil in the after hatchway - found a number  
of cask partly out. Lat Ob 13° 29' South  
Ends the day coopersing.

Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather and pleasant  
gale from the South. Employed coopersing  
our light-whale oil. Saw Mayotta bearing  
N.E. distant 7 leagues. Wore ship to  
the West and set the watch. Middle part  
pleasant breeze fine weather. Latter part the  
same. Got the oil already to stow down and raised  
whales. At 9 Am lowered and chased. And  
Ended the day chasing. Lat Ob 13° 12' South

Sunday May 29<sup>th</sup> 1836

One Year ago to day

Got 1 Seal & Lance

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine  
weather from the South. At 3 Am started  
Killed and took a large whale to ship  
got alongside about half past 5 Oclk  
Hands writing for I heart my hands bad to  
day. Middle part very pleasant. At 2 Pm  
made sail to keep off the Islands of Mayotta  
the current setting us right on to the land  
Latter part the same as the middle. At  
7 Am Comm<sup>d</sup> cutting. got the heads off  
body in 8 got dinner. So Ends the day



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising  
about the Comoro Islands

Monday May 30<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the South<sup>th</sup> and fine weather. At 2 Pm hooked on to the Junk and cut it off. At 3 Pm began to bail the case. Finished about 5 Pm and made sail got supper & set the watch. Standing to the East. At 10 Pm tacked to the West. Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about half past 10 Pm Middle part the same as the first. Latter part employed stowing down our right whale oil & boiling Sperm. Ends the day standing to the East<sup>th</sup>. No Lat nor Long to day

Tuesday May 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the South<sup>th</sup> and fine weather. Employed stowing down the right whale oils and boiling Sperm. Finished stowing about 6 Pm & tacked to the West again. Middle part much the same as the first. Finished boiling the body about 10 Pm & cooled down. Latter part pleasant gale from the South and fine weather. At daylight comm<sup>d</sup> boiling the heads. At 7 Am spoke Ship Galen of Warren 31 M out with 800 bbls Sperm oil. Schanna bearing S West distant 10 Leagues. Ends the day boiling heads.

Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from South to S East and fine weather. Employed boiling. At Sunset the Islands of Schanna bore South distant 18 Leagues. Tacked to the Southeast. Middle part light baffling airs and calm. Finished boiling about 9 Pm and tacked to the West. Latter part fresh breezes from the South West. Employed in Ship's duty. Lat 06 11 54 South. Schanna still in sight. Killed a bullock to day.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising  
About the Comoro Islands  
Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836

Port, better &c

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the N.W.  
and squally. Steering to the East by the  
winds, to At 4 Pm tacked to the westward  
At 11 Pm double reefed the Topsails - Middle  
part strong breezes from the N.W. and rough  
weather - At 1 Am tacked to the East again  
 Latter part more moderate - Saw the Island  
of Johanna bearing South West - The  
watch employed breaking out aft after  
better Port &c &c, and the day was  
ing up towards Johanna

Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N.W.  
and rugged. The watch employed making  
proofs &c, Johanna Mohilla &  
Comoro all in sight - At 5 Pm wore  
Ship to the East - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part more moder-  
ate with the Wind from N.W. - Steering  
up towards Johanna, The watch employ-  
ed in Ship's duty

Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>

Hour

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the N.W.  
and moderate weather - The watch employed  
making scrubbing - repairing hose &c, If the  
Hose had been fitted at home (as it had  
ought to have been) it would have saved  
some oil & some trouble - but it corresponds  
with many other things - Middle part  
strong breezy & rugged - Latter part flowy of  
the lands - Got the anchor off the bow and  
in to Johanna & came to in 7 fathoms water  
so rugged outside that we could not do any  
thing about stowing away our oil - Comm<sup>d</sup>  
breaking out in the main hatchway



Ship *Ceres* and Capt Barker of Bedford Lying  
at anchor in Schanassa. Remarks &c

Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> lying at anchor in Schanassa -  
Stowing down our oil has been the chief  
business of the day thus far. At sunset set  
four watches. Middle part squally -  
Latter part more pleasant. Finished stowing  
down and washed off. So End of the day  
Arrived a small Brig reports herself from  
Bourbon (last from Mohilla) what her business  
is I know not. Brought news of Kemnetaka  
having starved the King of Schanassa & then of  
his head chiefs to death how true it is I know  
not. But they are in a great way about it  
here.

Monday

Monday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally & heavy puffs off the  
lands. Still lying at anchor. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part  
pleasant. Employed getting off wood.  
Got off three boat loads and ended the day  
stowing it away.

Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes of the lands  
and pleasant weather. Got off one boat  
load of wood. At 3 Pm got under weigh  
and stood out to sea with a fresh breeze  
from the South. Stowed the anchor and got  
all clear before night. At sunset saddle  
Island bore East by South distant 2 leagues  
and the weather point of Mohilla bore  
S by W & west. Steering by the wind to  
the N by W & W. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part strong breezes from the South  
and pugged. Carried away one of the bobstays.  
Employed mending it and repairing the new jib.  
Working up the passage between Schanassa & Mohilla.

Lat 12. 19 South



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of New Bedford cruising about  
the Comoro Islands. Remarks &c 1836  
Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W.  
and rugged weather. The watch employed  
repairing the jib. setting up the bobstay &c.  
At sunset the S.E. point of Johanna bore  
N.E. by North distant 3 Leagues. Steering  
by the wind to the East under double  
reefed Topsails & courses. Middle part  
The same as the first. Latter part more  
moderate. Tacked to the S.W. & finished  
the jib. Lat Ob 12° 33' South. Ends the  
day in Ship's duty.

Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong breezes from the  
South and rugged weather. The watch  
employed repairing old main Top-sail &c.  
Steering by the wind to the W. by West. At  
4 P.M. wore ship to the East. At sunset  
the South East point of Johanna bore E by N  
distant 6 or 8 Leagues. Middle part much  
the same as the first. At 8 P.M. tacked to the  
S.W. Latter part quite passable weather.  
Saw a bark steering away to the North. The  
watch employed repairing the flying jib.  
At 7 P.M. tacked to the East. Lat Ob 13° 00'  
South. Ends the day in Ship's duty.

Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the South  
and S.W. and pretty fair weather.  
The watch employed repairing the fly jib  
drawing & knotting yarns &c. Cooper employed  
repairing old oil cask. At sunset Mayotte  
bore S.E. by East  $\frac{1}{2}$  East (the weather point)  
Middle part pleasant gales from the S.W.  
and fine weather. Latter part the same  
as the middle with the wind from the South.  
Wet the holds this morning for the second  
time. And I expect that we shall have the  
remainder of our right whale oil to break out  
and cooper. Lat Ob 13° 35' South. Ends the  
day steering to the East.

Broad



Ship Ceres <sup>Inds</sup> Capt. Parker of W. Bedford Cruising  
about the Comoro Mandy Zanzibar &c.

Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales  
from the South and fine weather.  
The watch employed repairing the old  
main & Gallut sails - Coopers employed  
repairing old casks &c. - At 2 Pm tacked  
to the westward & hauled up the courses  
Middle part the same as the first - At  
12 o'clock hauled the head yards aback &  
lay till daylight when we kept off North  
Latter part pleasant & Employed in ship  
duty - At 12 o'clock hauled up the West  
Lat by 12° 59 South Long 46° 15 East

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Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
South and cloudy - At 2 Pm saw the Island  
of Mayotta bearing N by North - Steering  
by the wind to the N West - At sunset  
the weather point of Mayotta bore N N W distant  
5 Leagues - At 8 Pm tacked to S E  
Middle part the same as the first - At 2  
Am tacked back to the N West - Latter part  
pleasant with fresh gale from the South -  
Lat by 13° 10 South - End the day standing  
to the Westward

Monday June 13<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather  
from the South - Saw Proa steering to the East  
ward - At sunset shortened sail and set  
four watches - The middle of Mayotta bearing  
E N East distant 20 miles - Middle latter  
part strong breeze from the South and cloudy  
Saw some Grampas this morning - Bent  
the Spanker & finished repairing the main  
& G sails - Mayotta in sight



Ship *Sires* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford bound  
from the Comoro Islands toward Cape Bonaville - Thuan  
Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and  
cloudy from the South - Employed  
in various duties - The Cooks employed  
setting up old stocks - At sunset Mayed  
bow East distant 10 Leagues - Look in  
sails set the watch standing to the west  
Middle part the same as the first Latter  
part cloudy with fresh gale from the NW  
At daylight made sail & kept off North - saw  
Breachers but they proved to be crampers -  
Saw Schoona bearing NE - Employed  
wetting the hold & repairing the close Mizzen  
So Ends

Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> by wearing ship to the NW The  
watch employed repairing the close Mizzen  
At sunset the Schoona bore  
NE by East distant 6 or 8 Leagues -  
Cooks setting up & making over old casks -  
Middle part light breeze from the SE  
and Cloudy - Latter part strong gales  
from the South and rugged - Steering to the  
NW by the wind - The watch employed  
drawing & knotting yarns - Lat Ob 13° 04'  
South Long 43° 16' East End the day  
in Ship's duty - Bound up Channel

Beef opened

Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
South and fine weather - Employed  
drawing & knotting yarns - Heaving by the  
wind to the NW Saw finbacks to night  
Middle & Latter part more moderate - Emp  
loyed drawing & knotting yarns - Making  
bone Spanish &c - Lat Ob 13° 15' South  
Long 41° 23' East - End the day Standing  
to the west - One hand off duty



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford bound  
Up the Mozambique Channel Remarks &c  
Friday June 17<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
South & breezy weather. Employed draw-  
ing & knotting yarn &c. Steering by the  
wind to the west<sup>ward</sup>. Saw the Land about  
5 P.M. bearing N by North. At 8 P.M. tacked  
to the East<sup>ward</sup>. Middle & latter part the  
same as the first. Employed drawing  
& knotting yarn &c. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>°</sup> 08 South  
Long 42<sup>°</sup> 25 East. End the day  
Steering to the East<sup>ward</sup>.  
Two hands off duty.

Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from  
the South and fine weather. The weath-  
er watch employed drawing & knotting  
yarn - making rattling stuff &c.  
Steering to the East<sup>ward</sup>. At 1 P.M. tacked  
to the S West - Steering in the S.W. Mast-  
rigging. Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part pleasant gale from the East  
and fine weather. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>°</sup> 00 South  
Long 41<sup>°</sup> 45 East. End the day Steering to  
the South West. Saw a number of Finbacks  
to day. Two hands off duty.

Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the East and  
fine weather. Steering by the wind to the  
S West. Bent the old main Top sail & main  
Topsail this afternoon. Saw a number of  
Finbacks this afternoon. At 8 Oclk tacked  
to the East<sup>ward</sup>. Middle part light variable  
air. Latter part the same as the first.  
At 9 am tacked to the S West. Latitude  
Ob<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>°</sup> 22 South Long 41<sup>°</sup> 50 East  
End the day Steering to the S West.  
Two hands off duty.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Found  
up the Mozambique Channel Remarks &c  
Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and  
dy from the S West - At 5 PM tacked to the  
East again - Middle part strong  
breeze from the South West and rugged  
latter more pleasant with fresh breeze  
from the S East - At 6 AM tacked to the  
S West - The watch employed making  
rattling - Lat Ob 16° 01' South Long 42° 20'  
East - End the day steering by the wind  
to the S West -

Tuesday June 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the South  
and rugged - Employed setting up the main  
mizen stays - Mizen topmast rigging &c  
steering by the wind to the S West -  
Middle part strong gales from the South  
and rugged weather - Latter part the same  
as the first - At 8 AM tacked to the S East -  
The watch employed in various duties  
Lat Ob 16° 20' South Long 41° 20' East -  
End the day steering to the S East -

Wednesday June 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the S W  
and pleasant weather - Employed fitting  
Barton blocks drawing & knotting yards &c  
steering by the wind to the S East -  
Middle part the same as the first Tacked to the  
S West - At 4 AM tacked back again - Lat  
Ob 16° 43' South Long 42° 40' East - The  
watch employed wetting hold &c End the  
day in ship's duty



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Capt Barker of New Bedford  
Bounds Up the Mozambique Channel Remarks  
Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
South and S<sup>W</sup> West and rugged weather.  
The watch employed fitting futtock shrouds  
to the Gallant rigging &c &c At 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> past 3<sup>rd</sup> Pm  
saw the Island of John De Nova bearing  
South distant 6 or 8 leagues. At 5<sup>th</sup> Pm tacked  
to the Westward. At Sunset the Island bore  
S<sup>W</sup> West distant 6 leagues. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part light-buffing  
airs and pleasant. At 10<sup>th</sup> Am sent the boat  
on shore after grass &c. Ends the day lying  
off and on John De Nova.

Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from the South &  
pleasant. At 4<sup>th</sup> Pm the boat returned and  
we stood along to the West<sup>rd</sup> by the wine  
Middle part strong breezes from the S<sup>W</sup> West.  
At 12<sup>th</sup> M tacked to the S<sup>W</sup> East. Latter part  
more moderate with pleasant gales from the South.  
Employed fitting the rigging. Lat 17° 32' South  
Long 43° 16' East. Ends the day stand-  
ing to the Eastward.

Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup>

Green Water  
Beef & Pork

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South  
and fine weather. Employed fitting the  
rigging &c &c At 5<sup>th</sup> Pm tacked to the West<sup>rd</sup>  
Middle part strong breezes from the S<sup>W</sup>  
West and rugged. Middle part rugged.  
At 4<sup>th</sup> Am double reefed the Topsails. Latter part  
the same as the first. Met the hold &c &c  
Lat 17° 31' South Long 41° 18' East.  
Ends the day fitting Topsail brace pentagon



Ship *Uris* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bu.  
Cruising in the Mozambique Channel  
Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> 1836

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Green Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the S and fine weather. Employed in Ship's duty. Steering by the wind to the N. W. Middle Water part the same as the first. Employed sailing ship. Lat Observed 17° 54' South Long 39° 16' East. End of the day steering to the West.

Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>

Hour opened

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the S and fine weather. At 1 P.M. tacked ship to the East and let her go. At sunset double reefed the Topsails and set the water four watches. And tomorrow we have got to break out oil and stop the leak. Middle Water part small air from the South and cloudy. Employed breaking out our oil the Starboard side. Broke out and coopers about 20 bbls & stowed it back again. So End of the day Lat Obs 18° 18' South Long by acct 40° 20' East.

Tuesday June 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light air from the South and cloudy. Broke out in foreward of the Fore Hatchway the Starboard side. took up about 130 bbls of oil and stowed back about 20 bbls. At sunset got supper and set 4 watches. Middle and Latter part the same as the first. Stowed back the Starboard side and so End of the day found the oil in very good order (that is the greater part of it) Lat Obs 18° 29' South Long by acct 41° 40'



Ship Crews 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Coopering  
oil in the Mozambique Channel Termate &c  
Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from

Took in the fore & main at sunset  
Topsail about 4 Am

the South West and passed the weather  
Broke out the oil in Starboard side  
of the fore hold - Found three of the  
Grounds cast partly out - Set 4 watches  
Middle part strong breezes  
from the South and rugged - Latter part the  
same as the first Lat by 18° 04 South Long  
41° 22 East - End the day Coopering the oil  
Steering by the wind to the Eastward under  
a double reefed Main Topsail & fore sail

Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the South  
and cloudy - Finished Coopering in the  
Fore hold and stowed about 40 bbls of water  
down - At sunset set 4 watches and the  
Fore & Main Topsails - Lost about 10 bbls by  
leakage - Middle part the same as the  
first - Latter part more moderate but a long  
heavy sea running - Finished stowing away  
the water and made sail - Lat by 17° 49  
South - Long 40° 25 East - End the day  
Steering to the S West - Saw a breach this  
forenoon but no fish

Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Started Molasses

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the South  
and rugged - Employed in various  
duties - Steering by the wind to the S West  
Middle part calm Broke out the oil  
in the Starboard side of the After hatchway  
Latter part the same as the Middle - Found  
one cask entirely out and a number of  
others partly out - Lat by 18° 26 South -  
End the day Coopering - Long 40° 06 E



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of New Bedford Bound  
Up the Mozambique Channel Toemarsk 1836  
Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836

Bread & Beef, Corn &c

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light wind and calms  
from all round the ~~House~~ Coopered  
and Stowed back about 800 lbs oil  
At Sunset got Supper and set 4 watch  
Middle part the same as the first Latter  
part light airs from the N East and fine  
weather. Employed Stowing back the rema-  
inder of our whale oil. Finished and broke  
out one or two cask of Sperm in the main  
hatchway. Coopered it and Stowed it back  
again. Steering to the South Lat Ob 18° 30'  
South Long 40° 08 East So Ends -  
Two hands off duty

Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the North  
and fine weather. Steering to the SSW  
Employed cleaning Ship - And I hope  
we shall not have our oil to break out  
again this cruise. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part pleasant gales  
from the S West and a little rain. Lat  
Ob 20° 36 South Long 40° 19 East  
Ends the day steering by the Wind to the  
East. Two hands off duty

Monday July 4<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the N  
and fine weather. At 5 AM tacked to the  
Westwards. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part pleasant gales from  
the S East and fine weather. Killed  
our last Bullock this morning. Sent in  
the preventive Botstey and fitted a new head  
to it. At 11 AM saw the rocks of Basas  
de India bearing S by West distant 6 Leagues  
Lat Ob 21° 18 South Long 39° 50 East  
Ends the day in Ships duty  
Two hands off duty.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Bound  
Up the Mozambique - Remarks &c  
Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
South and fine weather. Saw some Hump  
backs this afternoon. Sent out the Boat  
again and set it up. Steering by the wind  
to the West and South. Middle part  
light breezes and fine weather. Latter part  
calm. All hands employed setting up the  
rigging fore and aft. Latitude Observed  
22° 00' South Long 34° 18' East. End the  
day setting up the rigging  
Two hands off duty

Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and weather fine  
All hands employed setting up the rigging  
fore and aft. finished about 5 PM  
Middle part a light breeze from the South  
Trimmed the yard and steered by the wind  
to the N West. Latter part pleasant  
with baffling gales from the S E & South  
The watch employed fitting foot ropes or  
horses on the yard. Lat Obs 21° 50' South  
Long 38° 55' East. End the day as  
usual. One hand off duty

Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
South and fine weather. At 1 PM tacked  
to the Eastwards. The watch employed  
fitting the rigging &c. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part pleasant  
tacked to the S West. Lat Obs 22° 44' South  
Long by Chronometer 37° 44' East  
End the day repairing the jibber,



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Boston  
Toward Cape Corrientes  
Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from  
SEast and fine weather. The watch  
employed fitting the rigging. Finished  
about the 11<sup>th</sup>. set up the Stay & Guys &c.  
Steering by the wind to the WWest.  
Middle part light baffling air and  
pleasant weather. Later part the same.  
The watch employed in and about the  
rigging. Lat by 23.35 South Long by Chron  
37.14 East and by Lunar 36.53 East.  
End the day steering by the wind to the  
South.

Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light baffling air and  
calm. The watch employed about the  
rigging. Steering by the wind (what little  
there is) to the South West. Middle part  
pleasant breezes from the Eastward and fine weather.  
Steering South. Later part the same as  
the middle - hauled up SEast - saw a number  
of Finbacks but no Sperm Whales. Lat by  
24.38 South Long 37.45 East. End the  
day in Ship's duty.

Hour Book opened

Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
SEast and fine weather. Steering SE  
with all sail out. At sunset took in  
sail puffed to the wind to the East and  
set four watches. Middle part the same  
as the first. At daylight called all hands  
made sails kept off WWest and washed off  
Later part nearly calm. Later part  
Lat by 25.08 South Long 38.06 East  
End the day steering WWest



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of N Bedford Cruising  
for Whales off Cape Orientes Remarks &c

Monday July 11<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the North  
and pleasant. Steering to the N.W. West  
At sunset shortened sail hauled to the  
wind and set four watches. Middle  
part the same as the first. At daylight made  
sail & kept off N.W. West. Latter part pleasant  
breezes from the North. All hands employ-  
ed fitting the rigging &c. Lat Ob 25.33 S  
Long 37.20 East. End of the day as usual

Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the North  
and fine weather. All hands employed  
about the rigging. Steering to the West<sup>ly</sup>.  
Sent down the fore & main Royal masts to  
fit the rigging. Saw a sail steering to the  
East<sup>ly</sup>. At sunset shortened sail & set  
four watches. Middle part fresh gales and  
cloudy from N.E. At daylight made  
sail and steered to the N.W. West. Latter part  
the same as the first middle. Employed  
in ship's duty. Lat Ob 25.42 South Long  
36.02 East To End Humphreys

Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Beef

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the North  
and cloudy. Steering to the West<sup>ly</sup>.  
At sunset wore ship to the East<sup>ly</sup> took  
in sail & set 4 watches. Saw humpbacks  
and a tide rip this day. Middle part squally  
Latter part the same as the middle. At 6 AM  
wore ship to the East<sup>ly</sup> the wind having  
hauled to the South. End of the day going  
under a close reefed main & sail & fore  
Lat Ob 25.40 South Long 35.38 East



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whales off about Cape Corrientes. To-morrow &c.  
Thursday July 14<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the  
South and rugged. At 1<sup>PM</sup> set the Top  
sail double reefed. Employed in ship  
duty. Standing to the ESE. At sunset  
shortened sail and set four watches.  
Middle part the same as the first.  
At daylight made sail and kept off  
NE. Latter part pleasant gale from  
the East<sup>ly</sup> and fine weather. Lat 25-28  
South Long 36-06 East.

Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup>  
Friday

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breeze from  
the SE and fine weather. The watch  
employed about the rigging. At sunset  
shortened sail and set four watches  
headed to the NE. No Whales.  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part pleasant strong gale from the  
south and rugged. At daylight made  
sail and kept off NE. Employed  
patrolling the main & mizen Mast Riggings.  
Lat 24-24 South Long 36-43 East  
To end the day

Saturday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally from the South  
and rugged weather. Double reefed  
the Top sail. At sunset shortened  
sail and set the watch headed to the  
ESE. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part some part more moderate.  
Shook the reef out of the Top sails  
and set the main & mizen. Lat 23-42  
South Long 37-18 East. End the day  
steering to the East<sup>ly</sup>



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of W. Bedford Cruising  
for Whales off Cape County. Remarks &c.  
Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup> 1836

Commenced with fresh gales and squally  
from the East. Steering by the winds  
to the East. At 4 P.M. tacked to the West  
set half watches to night. Have seen  
nothing but killers to day (so far).  
At 8 P.M. Double reefed the topsails. Middle  
and latter part the same as the first.  
Lat by acct. 24.10 South Long 37.10 East.  
Ended the day steering to the West.

Monday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light baffling air from  
South & East and squally. Steering to  
the South when the wind will let us in.  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
part pleasant gales from East and fine  
weather. The watch employed making worm  
ing, rattling the foremast rigging &c &c.  
Picked up a bottle afloat this forenoon  
and finding it empty we reported the ship.  
Lat and Long in quantity of oil, corked it  
up again and hove it overboard. It looked  
as though it had been at sea some time  
having a quantity of clams hanging to it.  
Lat by 25.40 South Long 37.18 by Chrono  
and by Lunar 38.10 East.

Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup>

Beef Tack & Molasses  
Started

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
East &c and fine weather. The watch  
employed rattling &c At 2 P.M. lowered  
and chased a humpback but he had  
too many legs for us. At sunset shortened  
sail and set 4 watches. Middle part  
fresh gales from the East and pleasant.  
At daylight made sails and steered to  
the East. Employed rattling the lower  
rigging. Latter part fresh gales and pleasant.  
Lat by 26.37 South Long by Chrono  
38.17 East. So End.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of New Bedford cruising  
For Whales about Cape Corrientes (Remarks &c)  
Wednesday July 20<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the South  
and pleasant - All hands employed  
battling the lower rigging - Steering to  
the East - Sailed a Brig this afternoon  
that showed Blue and white, being  
sailed by her appearance to be a Slave  
Finished battling - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part equally  
At 10 am the wind hauled to the South  
and blew strong until the End -  
Lat by Acct 27° 15 South Long 39. 50 E

Thursday July 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
south and cloudy - Steering by the wind  
to the East - Saw a number of Hump  
backs to day - Middle part the same  
as the first - Latter part strong gales  
from the N West and cloudy - Steering  
to the East under Double reefed Topsails  
Cooper employed setting up Shocks -  
Lat by 26° 34 South Long 42. 02 East  
by Chronometer by Distances 40° 49 East  
End the day in Ship's duty

Green Water

Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>

Green Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
South and cloudy - Steering by the wind  
to the East under single reefed Topsails  
Saw a number of Humpbacks to  
day - At sunset shortened sail, wore  
Ship to the Westward and set four watches  
Middle part strong gales and heavy squalls  
from the South - Latter part the same as the  
middle - At 7 am set the F<sup>st</sup> Sail double  
reefed at 10 set the main Sail - Lat by  
26. 16 South Long 42. 25 East - End the  
day steering to the East



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of New Bedford Cruising  
for Sperm in the Mozambique Channel Remarks  
Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy squally from the  
South and rugged. Took in the fore &  
mizen Toppails. At 6 PM wore ship to the  
South (the winds having hauled to the SE  
and set the watch. Middle and  
latter part the same as the first. Lat Ob  
25° 57' South Long 49° 57' East. Ends the  
day lying to under a close reefed main top  
sails - headed to the S.W.

Sunday July 24<sup>th</sup>

Bread

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales and severe  
squally from the East and rugged  
Lying to under a close reefed main  
top sails headed to the West  
Middle & latter part the same as the first  
The watch employed getting up Bread  
water &c. Lat Ob 26° 03' South Long  
41° 22' East. Ends the day steering lying  
to under a close reefed main & sails

Monday July 25<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales and rugged  
weather Lying to under a close reefed  
main & sail. Middle part more mod-  
erate. Latter part the same as the middle  
At 7 AM wore ship to the East and  
set the foresail. Lat Ob 25° 57' South  
Long 40° 57' East Ends the day steering  
to the Eastward by the winds



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford cruising  
for Whales about the S<sup>W</sup> West part of Madagascar  
Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales of winds and  
frequent squalls of rain from the SE  
and short ugly sea. Though the weather  
is somewhat better than it has been  
for a day or two back. Middle part  
more moderate with the wind from the  
South. Latter part strong breezes from the  
S<sup>W</sup> West and squally. Made sail and  
steered to the ESE. Lat Ob 25.40 South  
Long 41.48 East. End the day steering  
to the Eastward with fresh gales from the  
Westward.

Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the West  
ward and squally. Steering to the East  
under double reefed Topsails. Carpenters  
employed repairing the old boat.  
At 4 PM Spoke the *Strouqua* with 700 bls  
oil. The *Carolina* 500 bls whale oil. Saw  
another ship to seaward said to be the  
*Emerald* with 1000 bls. Middle part  
the same as the first. Latter part more mod-  
erate. Let the *Carolina* have our last  
cask of old bread for some stores. At 10 PM  
parted company and kept off ENE. Lat  
Ob 25.30 South Long 42.30 East  
so End the day.

Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup>

Deep opened

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and squally  
weather. Steering off ENE. Rove new  
Fore & maintopsail braces. The watch employ-  
squaring and painting the leading blocks.  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part light gale from the Westward  
fine weather. All hands employed washing  
ship setting up shutes, fitting the rigging &c.  
Saw the land bearing E by South. Lat Ob  
24.00 South Long 43.30 East. End the  
day steering NE.



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> Capt Barker of Bedford County

St Augustine Bay Remarks &c 1836

Friday July 27<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the West and fine weather. All hands employed getting ready for Anchoring. Running down along the Land. At 4 Pm saw Sandy Island bearing N E by E distant 10 or 12 miles, at 5 Pm luffed to the wind (with the head yards aback) to the WNW. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part Light gales from off the land. Steering into Augustines Bay. So Ends.

Saturday July 30<sup>th</sup>

Flours

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather. At 2 Pm Came to anchor in St Augustines Bay in 10 fathoms water. Found 13 Ships here and shortly after we came to, the General Pike came in which makes the complement up to 15. - Latter part the same as the first. Employed in Ships duty.

Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. Two Ships went to sea to day. One watch on shore on Liberty. Latter part the same as the first. Still lying at anchor in Augustines bay. one watch on Liberty.

Monday Aug<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. Lying at Anchor in the Bay. Middle & Latter part the same as the first. Employed breaking out and cooping our Sperm oil. The Ships sailed to day and one arrived (The Lalla Rookh)

Tuesday Aug<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather. Employed cooping. Middle & Latter part the same as the first. Coopers and Stow back about 2 25 Pm.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of N Bedford going at  
Anchors in St Augustine Bay.

Tuesday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather Employed  
getting and stowing away woods.  
Breaking out our flour to look for  
flies - Got off 3 boatloads of wood.  
Middle & Latter part the same as the first.  
At 4 am called all hands and sent the  
boats in after woods - Got off 10 boatloads  
of woods - and let the watch go on liberty.

Wednesday Aug 17<sup>th</sup>

Got off six boat loads of woods

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. At 3 PM the  
ship *Suey Ann* (Capt John J Parker) arrived  
here - Middle & Latter part the same as the  
first - The natives shot one of the General  
Pikes men to day for some offence.

Thursday Aug 18<sup>th</sup>

Beef & Pork.

Friday Aug 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. The shooting  
scrape has caused much excitement how  
the Affairs will end I know not - Middle  
& Latter part the same as the first. This morning  
the Captains went on shore and settled the  
flurry with the natives and now we have  
peaceable times again - to End.

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather. This afternoon  
the General Pikes man was carried on shore  
and buried - Middle & Latter part the  
same as the first - Got off sand and  
iron poles.

Saturday Aug 20<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather - Employed  
getting ready for sea - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part calmer  
so that we could not go to sea - Sent  
down the royal masts and sent in the  
flyjibboom - Ends the day as usual.

Sunday Aug 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather - waiting  
for a wind - and in the morning  
we shall have a breeze for I want to  
go - Middle part the same as the first -  
Latter part pleasant breeze from the South -  
At 4 am took our anchor and went to  
sea in company with five other ships. got  
all snug and so End. Lat 04 23.57



Ship *Beres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of Bedford's Cruis-  
ing for whale in the Mozambique channel  
Monday Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes and  
fine weather - Steering to the west<sup>ly</sup>  
The *Lalla Rookh* & *Eagle* in sight at dawn  
Middle part fresh breezes from S.W. West part  
cloudy - Middle part - calm - Latter  
part - fresh breezes from West and rugged  
Unbent old mainsails & Mizzen Topsails and  
bent the new ones. The *Eagle* of Nantuck  
- sket off our weather beam - Lat 04<sup>ly</sup>  
23. 43 South Long by acct 39. 30 East

Tuesday Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from S.W.  
and rugged - At 2 P.M. took in Jib sail  
At 3 P.M. reefed the Fore & Mizzen Topsails  
took in Jib main sail & Spanker and  
double reefed the main Topsails - At 4  
close reefed it - Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part more moderate  
At 7 A.M. set the mainsails, jib & Spanker -  
Shook a reef out of each Topsail - At 9 A.M. split  
the jib - Unbent it - Bent the new one -  
The watch employed ripping up the old Mizzen  
Topsails - Lat 04<sup>ly</sup> 23. 44 South Long by Chron  
39. 30 East -

Wednesday Aug 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the South  
and rugged - Saw a number of Hump-  
backs this afternoon - Steering to the West  
Middle part more moderate - Made all  
sails - Steering by the wind to the west  
Latter part the same as the first -  
Employed repairing sails - Lat 04<sup>ly</sup>  
24. 29 South Long 38. 26 East - End  
the day Steering to the West<sup>ly</sup> Plenty of  
Pinbacks in sight all around -



Ship (as 2<sup>nd</sup>) Cap<sup>t</sup> Parker of Bedford Bound  
to the Southward - Remarks  
Thursday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from  
South and fine weather - Unbent the  
olds and bent the new Foresails & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Trisails - Got the bow boat in on deck  
to repairs. paint &c. - Middle part the  
same as the first - Latter part calm -  
a ship astern supposed to be the Eagle  
Employed repairing the old jib and  
boat - Lat Ob 25<sup>°</sup> 19 South Long 37<sup>°</sup> 4  
East. End the day in Ships duty

Friday Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Bees

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and light air  
from the West and South - Finished  
repairing the jib & commenced on the  
Foresails - Middle part light air &  
cloudy - Latter part strong breezes  
and fluky - Steering to the West  
Employed in repairing sails &c. Lat  
Ob 26<sup>°</sup> 23 South Long 436.19 East -  
No End

Saturday Aug 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine  
weather - At 2 Pm spoke the Eagle  
I got a quarter off beef - Employed  
repairing the old Tails - At sunset  
took in sails and set four watches  
Heading to the NEast - Middle part  
the same as the first - Latter part strong  
breezes from the ESEast and pleasant  
Employed in Ships duty - Lat. Ob 26<sup>°</sup>  
South Long 35<sup>°</sup> 34 East -



Ship *Beres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of N. Bedford Bound  
to the Southward. Remarks *Beres*  
Sunday Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from  
E. S. East and fine weather. At 4 P.M.  
spoke the Eagle and got our iron work  
steering off to the westward. At sunset took  
in sail & set 4 watches. heading to the  
N. East. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part pleasant gales and  
cloudy. At daylight made sail and kept  
off to N. West. Saw Humpbacks Finbacks  
& Blackfish. Lat Ob 26.51 South Long by  
chronometer 34.37 East. End of the day  
steering to the westward the Eagle in sight.

Monday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>

Molasses, Flour  
Pork & Bread

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from  
the Eastward and cloudy. At 3 P.M. hauled  
up South by west. At sunset kept off 9 P.M.  
Middle & Latter part the same as the  
first. Employed repairing sails. The Eagle still in company. Steering  
to the Southward. Lat Ob 28.33 South  
Long 34.52 East. End of the day as  
usual.

Tuesday Aug 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from  
the E. N. East and fine weather.  
Employed breaking out after flags  
&c. Sent the main topsails sheet on  
boards of the Eagle to mend. At  
7 P.M. it came back. Shortened sail  
and set 4 watches. Middle part fresh  
breezes from N. East and bugged weather.  
Latter part strong gales and very buggy.  
Lat Ob 30.42 South Long 35.04 East  
by Chronometer. End of the day steering  
to the S. W. West.



Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of N Bedford bound  
to the Southwards. Remarks &c. 1836  
Wednesday Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the  
N East and pugged. The Eagle in  
~~astern~~ steering to the S West & at 10  
took in the Foresails. And at 5 the  
Eagle overtook us and we set it again.  
Middle part more moderate. Latter  
part quite passable weather. Shook  
the reefs and set the Main & G Sails.  
At 11 AM the wind hauled to the S  
and the day end in squally rain.  
Lat by acct. 32.30 South Long 34.40  
East.

Thursday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the  
South & East and squally. Double reefed  
the Topsails. At sunset took in Sail &  
set four watches & headed to the NW.  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part more moderate but cloudy  
with a stiff breeze from the Eastward.  
Steering off N West. Lat by 33.37 South  
longitude 34.30 East. End the day  
by taking in the Fore & Mizzen Topsails.

Friday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>

Corn & Beef

Comm<sup>d</sup> with a fresh breeze from the  
eastward and pugged. Steering to the  
West. At 2 PM set the Fore topsails again.  
Middle part squally with the wind  
from all quarters. Latter part placid  
with variable winds. Lat by  
35.03 South Long 34.05 East. End  
the day in ship's duty.



Ship *Peru* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of W<sup>th</sup> Bedford Bound  
to the Southwards Remarks

Saturday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N<sup>W</sup>  
and rugged weather. All hands employ-  
ed repairing the Old Foretop sails. Middle  
part the same as the same as the first  
Latter part the same as the best of weather  
Saw Blackfish and took 9 to the ship -  
End of the day getting them on board  
Lat by 35° 19' South Long 34° 32' East

Sunday Sept 4<sup>th</sup>

Killed a Squal today. Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather and a light  
from the Eastward. Employed flinching the  
Blackfish. got through and washed off  
and sent up the foretop sails. Went it  
at sunset took in sail and set  
four watches. Middle part fresh breezes  
and squally from the Eastwards. Latter  
part the same as the Middle part -  
At daylight made sails and steered W<sup>SW</sup>  
Lat by 36° 37' South Long 34° 35' East End  
the day in Ship's duty

Monday Sept 5<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and rugged  
from the Eastward. Steering S<sup>W</sup> off N<sup>W</sup>  
looking for whales. At sunset took in  
Foretop sail & close reefed the main and stuffed  
to the wind to the Eastward. Middle part  
heavy gale from the North and rugged  
Lying to under a close reefed main sail  
& fore sail. Latter part the same as  
the middle Lat by acct 37° 00' South  
Long. 34° 00' East



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford bound  
to the South & Eastw<sup>d</sup> Remarks &c. 1836  
Tuesday Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales and dirty  
rugged weather from the North -  
At 5 PM the winds hauled to the N  
wards which raised a terrible bobbing  
with the sea - Middle & Latten part  
more moderate - Saw a ship steering to  
the Eastward - The watch employed  
unbending the Spanker & bending the  
close mizen - Lat Ob 37° 07 South  
Long 36° 13 East End the day standing  
to the NW

Wednesday Sept 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales but an ugly  
sea running. At 3 PM kept off East for  
St Paul - Employed mending old sails  
At Sunset hauled to the South and sho-  
tened sails and set 4 watches - Middle  
part calm - Latten part light airs and clouds  
from the SEast - Employed boiling out  
the blackfish - Steering by the winds to the  
E NEast Lat Ob 36° 47 South Long by  
Chronometer 36° 25 East End the day  
boiling

Thursday Sept 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the SE  
and passable weather. At 3 PM spoke the  
English ship *Victoria* of Bristol 65 days  
from Marseilles bound to Mauritius -  
Got a few medicines out of them and  
one french paper - Middle part the  
same as the first - Unbent the main top  
sails to repairs - Latter part pleasant breeze  
from the SEast and cloudy - One ship  
in sight Lat by acct 37° 00 South Long 37°  
20 East - End the day repairing the top sails

An Increase of nine }



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Bound  
To the Eastwards Toward the Islands of St Paul. 1836  
Friday Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
NEast and cloudy. Finished the topsail  
and bent it again. Steering to the East  
Middle part squally from the NEast  
and rugged. Parted the fore Sail Sheet  
Latter part more pleasant. The watch  
employed drawing & knotting yarn getting  
the cutting gear &c, &c Lat Ob 35.49 South  
Long 39 East. Fide a strong current  
setting to the North. End the day steering  
E NEast.

Saturday Sept 10<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
NEast and fine weather but no whales  
in sight. Steering to the East. The  
watch employed making shung and  
bending the old fore sail &c. At 5 PM  
kept off by East. Middle part squally  
At 6 AM double reefed the Topsails and  
kept off ESE with the wind from the  
Westwards. Latter part more pleasant  
Lat Ob 36.31 South Long 42.23 East  
by Chronometer. Four hands off duty  
and have been for a fortnight.

Sunday Sept 11<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the West  
and quite passable weather. Saw a  
number of Finbacks this afternoon.  
Employed in ships duty. Middle part  
strong breezes and squally. Latter part the  
same as the same as the middle. Steering  
to the ESE by Compass. Lat Ob 36.00  
South Long 45.24 East. End the day  
sailing ship.



Ship *Cur* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of *Bedford* Bound  
towards the Islands of St. Paul & Amsterdam

Monday Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>t</sup> with strong gales and squalls  
from the North. Steering to the ESE under  
double reefed Topsails and foresails.  
At sunset, have to under a close reefed  
Main Topsails and Spencers and set fore  
watches headed to the NEast. Middle  
part heavy Squally from the West and S.W.  
and lugged. Lat Ob 35.35 South Long  
46.08 East. Latter part more moderate  
Kept off ESEast about 10 AM. End the  
day as usual.

Tuesday Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>

Beef & Pork

Comm<sup>t</sup> with strong gales from the W  
SEast and lugged. Steering ESE under  
double reefed Topsails. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part more moderate  
made sail and the old ship slips off about  
the same as ever. The watch employed re-  
-airing the old mainsails. Lat Ob 35.07  
South Long 48.18 East. End the day as  
usual.

Wednesday Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales and squalls  
from the NW & N West. The watch em-  
ployed repairing the old mainsails.  
At 1 PM hauled SE by East. The mason em-  
ployed repairing the tryworks. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part  
fresh breezes from the NEast and close  
Employed repairing the old mainsails  
cask and tryworks. Lat Ob 35.06 S  
Long 50.56 East. End the day Steered  
by the wind to the ESEast.



Ship *Peris* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Bound  
towards the Islands of St Paul, Amsterdam, & Elbow  
Thursday Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales and cloudy  
from the N East. Finished the old  
mainsails and bent it - also finished  
the old cask and Cy work - steering  
by the winds to the S East - Middle part  
strong gales from the N East and rugged  
At 8 Pm took in the mainsails & firs. & at  
10 took in the fore Mizzen topsails. Latter  
part more moderate. At 7 Am set the  
Fore topsail and kept off S E by South. Lat  
by 35.31 South Long 52.00 East. To End

Friday Sept 16<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales and thick  
hazy weather from the N East. Steering  
off E by E under double reefed Topsails  
Saw one solitary Finback this afternoon  
going to windward with tears in his eyes as big  
as - Middle part gale increased at  
11 Pm took the Fore Topsails in and close reefed  
the main - Latter part much the same as  
the middle. Steering to the Southeast under  
a close reefed main Sail & foresail Lat  
by 36.32 South Long 54.30 East by Acc

Saturday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>

Hours -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy squall from the N  
N West and rugged with rain - At 1 Pm  
took in the foresails and hove to. At 4 Pm  
the gale abating kept off ESE and set  
the foresails - Middle part squally. Latter  
part more moderate with the winds from the  
N West. Made sails and steered off ESE  
Saw four sails at daylight - at 11 Am spoke the  
General Pike with two. Did not see  
Lat by 36.01 South Long 57.07 East - End  
the day steering to the ESE



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of Bedford's Bounds to the  
Islands of St. Paul & Elsewhere. Remarks  
Sunday Sept<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the NW  
and squally at times. At 3 PM Spoke  
the Atlas of Lynn. Had seen one right  
whale since leaving Augustine Bay.  
At 7 PM took in the main & allantail  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part heavy gales and rugged. At 7 PM  
double reefed the Topsails. At 9 took in the  
Foretopsails & steering off ESE East. At 10 AM  
saw the first Right Whale. Luffed at  
the wind to the South. Too rugged to lower.  
Lat Ob 35.20 South Long 59.33 East.  
The whales looked too good, going off with  
some of our help.

Monday Sept<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales & squally from the NW  
& West and rugged weather. Lying to under  
a close reefed main sail. At 5 the  
weather moderated. Set the Fore sail. At  
6 set the fore & main topsails double. No reef  
and let her go to the South by the wind.  
Middle part more moderate. Set the main  
sails. At 12 Oclk wore ship to the West. At  
1 PM set the jib saw a sail to the NE East of  
us. Latter part quite pleasant except now  
when a squall. At 11 1/2 Oclk wore ship to the  
East. Lat Ob 35.09 South Long 59.38 East.  
Found a strong current setting to the North  
East.

Tuesday Sept<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NW  
and now & then a squall of wind & rain.  
At 4 PM saw a right whale & chased till  
dark; but I believe he was too tame, for he  
would not let us strike him, nor he would  
not go off. Middle part light airs from  
the NW and squally. At 4 AM wore ship to the  
West. Latter part the same as the middle.  
at 9 AM saw & chased a whale but as for its being  
a right whale I have my doubts, for we could not  
get near enough to see what was it. Came on  
board again. Lat Ob 35.21 South Long 59.40  
East.

Bread



Ship *Seres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising for Right  
Whales -

Remarks

Wednesday Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the South  
and cloudy. Saw a number of Finbacks  
this afternoon. Taring to the East under  
all Sails. Middle part calm. Latter part  
very small breezes from North & East and  
squally. At 6 Am saw whales and struck  
two. got four lines and by bad luck cut  
from one with a shade by accident. One  
Ship in sight. At 12 Oclk the whale turned  
up. Ends the day towing. Lat ~~34~~ 35.00  
by acct. Long 60.00 East or thereabouts



Thursday Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes and flowy  
from the East. At 4 Pm got the whale  
cable alongside. Got Breakfast & Dinner  
and comm<sup>d</sup> cutting about 5 Pm. Finished  
cutting about 9 Oclk. Took in Sails and set  
four watches. Middle part heavy gales from  
the North and cloudy. Latter part squally and  
rainy and very rugged so much so that we  
cannot boil out our whale. Ends the day  
lying to under a close reefed main Sails  
and foresails. Lat by acct 34.40 South Long  
59.30 East.

Friday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the North  
and rainy rugged weather. Lying to under  
a close reefed main & sail & foresail.  
At 4 Pm the wind hauled to the NW  
and it is now more moderate. with rain  
Middle part the wind hauled to the SW  
Latter part squally and rainy. Commenced  
boiling about 7 Am & Ends the day boiling  
standing to the South & East.



Ship *Ceres*<sup>2nd</sup> Capt. Barker of N Bedford on a Whaling  
Voyage to about the South Atlantic Ocean

Saturday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1836 Commenced with strong gales from the S  
and squally. Employed boiling out  
our whale - Rugged, rainy, squally but  
enough this Middle latter part  
more moderate. Saw a ship to Leeward  
and at daylight. Saw a whale but he was  
going to windwards too quick for us  
Employed boiling Lat Ob 35° 14 South  
Long 59° 57 East - Ends the day boiling

Sunday Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
West and Suggs. Finished boiling about  
1 Pm - At 3 Pm Spoke the Skylock with one  
whale - Middle part fresh gales and cloudy  
Latter part the same as the middle - Steering  
by the winds to the South East Lat Ob 34° 44  
South Long 59° 57 East

Monday Sept 26<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from the west  
and fine weather - No Whales in sight -  
Middle part squally. Latter part strong  
gales and rugged. Employed stowing down  
our oils - Lat Ob 35° 14 South Long 60° 00  
East - Ends the day steering to the NW.



Ship *Cur* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford's Cruising for  
Right Whales -

Remarks -

Tuesday Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the N West  
and squally. Employed blowing down the  
oils. Hauled down about 700 lbs. At 3 Pm  
Spoke the Grand Turk 3m<sup>e</sup> out no oil.  
Got some tate papers and potatoes, onions &c.  
Middle part more pleasant with the wind  
from the South. Latter part pleasant but  
no whales in sight. Employed in ship's  
duty Lat. 34° 36' South Long. 60° 52' East  
Ends the day steering by the winds to the  
Eastwards.

Deaf & Forks

Wednesday Sept 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light airs from SEast and  
quite pleasant. The Grand Turk in sight  
to Eward. At Sunset took in sail and saw  
four whales. Middle & Latter part pleas-  
ant gales from the North and fine weather.  
Employed cleaning some bunding the old  
jib &c. At 1/2 past 11 am saw seven whales  
and chased them till the *Ransmogre*  
*themselves* into Humpbacks. We landed  
one or two of them but did not fasten.  
Lat 34° 21' South Long 61° 54' East

Thursday Sept 29<sup>th</sup>



2 Irony lost

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from N.W.  
and fine weather. Employed setting up  
bowsprit guys &c. At 5 Pm Spoke the G. Turk  
Ship's course SEast. Middle part squally.  
Latter part the same as the middle. At  
7 am saw a whale and at 9 took him  
alongside and got breakfast. At 1/2 Past 10  
comm<sup>d</sup> cutting and so Ends the day  
Lat 34° 40' South Long 63° 07' East



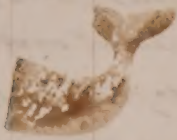
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Friday Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
West and cloudy. Finished cutting about  
2 Pm - at 5 Pm saw more whales and  
chased but did <sup>not</sup> get any. At 3 Pm comm<sup>d</sup>  
boiling Middle Water part squally  
At 8 Am the winds hauled to the S West  
and quite passable weather untill the  
end Employed boiling. Lat 04  
34.45 South Long 63.00 East.  
No whales in sight



October 1<sup>st</sup>

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
S West and fine weather. Finished boil-  
ing about 2 Pm. Employed stowing water  
betwixt decks. Just at sunset saw whale  
again but they were too far off. Took in  
sail and set four waiches. The whale  
turned up about 65 M. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part nearly calm  
Employed stowing up the fore hold. Lat 04  
34.59 South Long 63.14 East. So End



Melasse

Sunday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the North  
and fine weather. No whales in sight  
except finbacks. Cooper repairing old case.  
Steering to the Eastward. Middle part  
the same as the first. Latter part very  
pleasant. At 9 Am saw whale and at  
12 Oclk took him alongside the ship  
Lat 04 35.23 South Long 64.04 East



One Iron lost



Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of N Bedford, Cruising  
for Whales in Atlantic Ocean *Normanby Is.*

Monday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine weather with a  
pleasant breeze from the N.W. Employed  
cutting in the Whale. Finished  
about 5 Pm and got supper. Took in sail



Lost four Irons two short and set the watch Middle part fresh  
warp and half a line and breezes from N.W. West and pleasant. I Comm<sup>d</sup>  
did not touch him with a lance. Ends boiling about 10 Pm. Latter part fine  
weather with pleasant gale from N.W. West  
At half past 5 am saw whale and struck  
one Killed & sunk him. Howled down  
the cold oil and end the day boiling  
Lat 36° 00 South Long 63° 33 East  
Howled down about fifty bbls oil.

Tuesday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with fine pleasant weather with  
the winds from N.W. West. Saw a right  
whale and chased but he was going too  
quick for us. Employed w/ boiling  
Saw another whale before dark going quick  
to the N.W. did not lower. Middle  
part the same as the first. Finished boiling  
about 3 am. Latter part pleasant with the  
winds from the N.W. West. Lat 35° 59 South  
Long 64° 10 East. So Ends.

Wednesday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>



Lost 2 Irons

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the North  
and fine weather. At 3 Pm saw a whale  
and took him to the ship about 6 o'clock  
Comm<sup>d</sup> at 10 Pm finished cutting. I got  
supper. After supper set four watches  
Middle Latter part strong gale and  
heavy weather from the North. Em-  
ployed Howling down the last whale  
Lat 35° 50 South Long 64° 00  
East. So Ends.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising  
For Whales

Thursday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 1836

Flour Beef & Pork

Remarks

Commenced with heavy breezes from the West  
and haggled weather - Stowed down about  
55 lbs oil and commenced boiling about  
seven o'clock P.M. Middle part the same  
as the first. At 3 AM raining so that we could  
not boil - cooled down and at 6 AM started  
a fire again - Latter part strong breezes and  
haggled from the West. Lat by acct  
36.00 South Long 64.00 East

Friday Oct 7<sup>th</sup>

Bread

Commenced with strong gales from the West  
and haggled - Employed boiling -  
Middle part the same as the first  
Finished boiling about 12 AM - Latter part  
the winds hauled to the Westward and still  
haggled The watch employed cleaning bone  
Steering by the winds to the North Lat  
by acct 35.41 South Long 64.21 East

Saturday Oct 8<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong breezes from the West  
and haggled - The watch employed clean-  
ing bone - At sunset took in sail and  
the watch headed to the North Middle  
Latter part the same as the first Stowed down  
our oil about 45 lbs - Lat 35.04 South Long  
by acct 64.00 East - Ended the day steering  
to the Westward - Saw a sail to Sward this  
forenoon



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Bartons of Bedford Cruising for  
Whales - Remarked 1836

Sunday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale from the West & a  
rugged weather. At 4<sup>th</sup> AM saw whaley and took  
one to the Ship & Comm<sup>d</sup> cutting about half past  
six PM. Finished about half past nine but  
lost his head it being so rugged could not  
save it. Middle Water part calm. At  
7 AM saw whaley and chased. Struck three and  
killed two. Got the Harboard boat stave  
Lat by acct 35° 15' South Long 64° 15' East  
Ends the day towing the whaley to the Ship  
Tore the claw of the old main Topsail  
in a calm squall.

one Lion lost



Monday Oct 10<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm weather and an ugly  
swell running which makes it very hard  
cutting. Cut in our whaley and set half  
watching. Comm<sup>d</sup> boiling about half past 10 PM.  
Middle Water part strong gale from the North  
and rugged weather. Employed boiling and  
mending boats. Lat by acct 34° 46' South Long  
by acct 63° 50' East. Ends the day boiling.  
Saw whaley at daylight but they had seen  
the Ship and were bound off. Bent the  
best maintopsail.

Tuesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gale and fine weather  
(a little rugged) Employed boiling. Saw  
whaley and chased but did not strike.  
Came on board again - whaley all around  
us at dark. Middle Water part thick mist  
weather with rain. At 6 AM cooled down the  
fire - and at 11 AM started it again. So Ends  
the day. Lat by acct 34° 56' South Long  
63° 40' East or thereabouts.



Ship *Cory 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
 Whales

Remarks &c

Wednesday Oct 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light gales from West and  
 fine weather Employed boiling & repairing  
 the Lower main hatchway &c. No whales in  
 sight - Middle part fresh breezes from the  
 North and cloudy. Latter heavy gales from  
 the N West and an ugly sea running. Finished  
 boiling about 8 Am. Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 35° 14' South  
 Long 64° 10' East - Ends the day lying to  
 under a close reefed maintopsails -

Thursday Oct 13<sup>th</sup>

Boat -

Comm<sup>t</sup> with heavy gales from the  
 N West and squally. At 6 Am set the  
 foresails and shook a reef out of main topsails  
 headed to the North - Middle part  
 more moderate but a heavy sea running.  
 Latter part the same as the middle -  
 Employed stowing off the main hatchway  
 and breaking out - Left. Saw a number  
 of whales but it was too haggled to lower  
 the boat - Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 34° 46' South  
 Long 63° 48' East by Chronometer  
 Shooked off the main hatchway -

Friday Oct 14<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with strong breezes from the West  
 and squally, nasty, haggled weather.  
 Employed taking wood and provisions  
 from aft and stowing them forwards -  
 Middle part the same as the first - Latter  
 part more moderate - Saw whales and  
 struck. Killed two & ends the day towing  
 them to the ship - Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 34° 51' South  
 Long by acct 63° 40' East.





Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of N Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whales. Remarks &c

Saturday Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with moderate breezes  
from the Westward and a heavy swell  
running. Got the whales alongside  
about half past 2 Pm. Got dinner and  
commenced cutting. At half past 7 got  
through cutting one whale. Got supper and  
set 4 trawls. One whale alongside.  
Middle part pleasant. Called all hands  
at daylight and comm<sup>d</sup> cutting. Saw  
whales and chased with one boat. Got  
fast and started my line struck again and  
had to cut on acct of foul line. Latter part  
more rugged. Finished cutting and chased  
with three boats struck two again and took  
the rest of my line - and Mr. Smith started  
at End of the day.

{ Lost 7 Irons and one  
line and got no fish.

Sunday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>

Lost 2 Irons. & one line. Comm<sup>d</sup> with quite passable weather  
with the winds from the N East. Saw more  
whales, chased, struck and tried to kill one  
and the Irons came out and she went off  
came on board again and saw and chased  
whales again. Struck killed and struck one  
and then gave them up. Started a fire  
about 6 Pm. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part moderate weather. At daylight  
saw whales and chased struck one and  
after being fast to him about an hour we got loose  
what boat stove and we had to let him go.  
At 10 am struck another. Ends the day  
going to windward fast to the whale.

Lost 4 Irons two spades, about 6 Pm. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part moderate weather. At daylight  
saw whales and chased struck one and  
after being fast to him about an hour we got loose  
what boat stove and we had to let him go.  
At 10 am struck another. Ends the day  
going to windward fast to the whale.

Monday Oct 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the East  
and passable weather. Fast to a whale  
with two boats. At 1/2 Past 3 Pm took the  
whale alongside. After dinner turned to  
and cut him in. Middle & Latter part  
strong breeze from the ENE and rugged.  
Employed stowing oil next to the pump and  
bailing. Lat 34° 20 South Long by Acc<sup>t</sup>  
63° 40 East or thereabouts.



Ship *Cory 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Right Whale      Remarks

Tuesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breeze from E. N. E.  
and rugged weather. Employed boiling  
stowing down. Saw whale just at night  
but did not lower. Middle part rugged  
inclining to be squally. Latter part squally  
from the Eastwards. At 6 am cooled down  
the fire. After breakfast run down all the  
cold oil and stowed off the run partly when  
it came on so rugged we quit altogether.  
Lat by Acct 34.40 South Long 64.00 East.  
Ends the day lying to under a close reefed  
main Topsails.

Pork



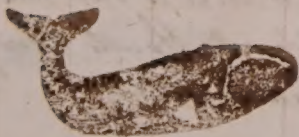
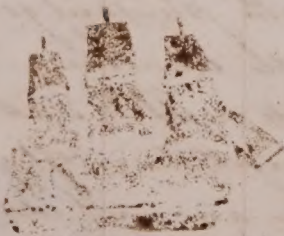
Wednesday Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with rugged, nasty, squally weather  
from the Eastwards. Employed rigging the  
boat for action again. At 6 Am started a  
fire again. Middle & Latter part small rain  
and thick foggy weather from the South.  
At 7 am saw whale and killed. Struck. Took  
one to the ship and cut him in. Finished  
boiling the other whale about 8 am. No Lat  
nor Longitude. Neither do we want any.

Beef & Bread

Thursday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>



Lost. 1 Iron

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the South West  
and wet and cloudy. Employed stowing  
down in the after hold. Saw whale again  
this afternoon and chased with one boat but  
they were off. Middle & Latter part squally  
with the winds from the South. At 10 am  
saw whale. Struck killed and took one  
to the ship. Spoke Boats George of  
Stonington 13 mi out 1300 lbs oil.  
No Lat nor Long to day. Got 3 Hoven boats.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of N Bedford Cruising  
For Right Whales

Friday Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally rugged rainy  
weather. Employed cutting at 10 AM  
set 4 watches. Middle Water part more  
pleasant. Stowed down all the coldboils  
and at 10 AM started a fire. Saw one whale  
but he had seen the ship. Lat 34° 43' N  
Long 65° 37' East. Ends the day boiling



Saturday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>



Hour  
Post 12 Noon Lance



Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the West  
and rugged. Saw two sails. At 4 PM  
saw whale but they were too cunning for  
us. Employ boiling. Spoke the George to  
night and the Capt came on board a few  
minutes. Had seen the Emerald with 2 whales  
at St Pauls. Middle Water part nearly  
calm with a heavy swell. At 10 AM saw whale  
and struck one and after being fast a little  
while he went off. Accidently cut the line  
with a spade. Spoke the Connecticut of  
N London with 12 right whales and 110 Wb  
Sperm. Lat 34° 30' South Long 65° 47' East  
Saw the George take two whales

Sunday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with a pleasant breeze from the  
west<sup>th</sup> and fine weather. Employed boiling  
out our whale. Three ships in sight. Middle  
Water part the same as the first. Saw whales  
Richard but they were too wild. Lat 34° 21' N  
Long 64° 50' East. Oh finished boiling  
about 3 PM. Ends the day chasing whales



Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of N<sup>o</sup> Bedford  
 Cruising for Whales  
 Monday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1836

Two Irons and a Spade



Commenced with pleasant gales from the West and fine weather. Lowered twice for whales this afternoon and the last time got fast and some of the last voyage line that had parted and away went the whale with two Irons and a Spade. So I expect they will go with them old line. Middle latter part the same as the first. At 6 am saw whale and struck, killed, and took one to the ship and cut him in. Lat 34° 14' South Long 64° 40' East. Ends the day as usual.

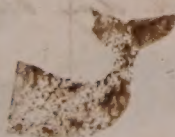
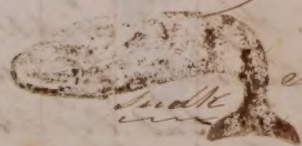
Tuesday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with light gales and calms. Employed stowing down aft and chasing whales. The whales are growing very wild and scarce to what they have been. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant gales from the N. West and fine weather. Saw and chased whales twice this forenoon but they were too wild. Employed stowing down. Lat 34° 20' South Long 65° 00' East. To End the day.

Wednesday Oct 26<sup>th</sup>

Lost 2 Irons



Commenced with pleasant gales and fine weather from the West. Employed stowing provisions betwixt decks. At 4 PM saw whale and struck two. Killed one and struck him and parted from the other. Came on board and took in sails got supper and set the watch. Middle latter part squally from the North. Employed stowing down. At 9 am lowered and struck a whale and drew from him. Lat 34° 24' South Long 65° 00' East. To End the day.



Ship Crew and Capt. Parker Cruising for Whales.  
Remarks &c

Thursday Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1836

Shore wind spade and  
two thirds of a line.

Buy Pork

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the North and bugged weather. Saw whales and struck one but he went off with half a line and one iron and a Spade in him. At sunset took in sail and set four watches. Middle Water part squally from the South. Stowed off the afternoon and broke out between decks after Shuckey and have got about 15 bbls oil on decks. Lat Ob 34° 20' South Long 64° 10' East. Ends the day by speaking the Connecticut sailing. Did not board. had got 3 whales since we saw him.

Friday Oct 28<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales and cloudy from the South and bugged. Employed fitting craft. Have got four towlines and about 20 iron left. At sunset took in sail and headed off North. No whales been seen this day. Middle Water part squally from the SW and bugged. Steering off to the North. Have seen plenty of Finbacks but no Right whales. Unbent the Foresails and comm<sup>d</sup> repairing the ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup> ~~thing~~ Lat Ob 33° 12' South Long 64° 23' East. Ends the day repairing the old foresails.

Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the SW and squally. Finished the old foresails and bent it and sent down the old maintop gallant sail. Repaired it and bent it again. At 6 Pm took in sail and hauled up N West by compass. Middle Water part more pleasant. At daylight called all hands and made sail. Hauled up N West. Comm<sup>d</sup> cleaning bone &c. Lat Ob 32° 06' South Long 63° 09' East. Ends the day cleaning bone. Nothing been seen to day. The Cooper employed setting up sheets.



Ship Curlew Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whales - Remarks &c

Sunday Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the  
South East and fine weather. All hands  
employed cleaning bone - cleaned about  
300 lbs and stowed it away. At 1 PM  
hailed up to the S West - One Sperm whale  
finback is all that has been seen this after-  
noon - Middle part light air from N East  
and pleasant. Latter part pleasant gales from  
the North and cloudy. Saw a number of  
finbacks. Lat Oct 33.55 South Long 63.15  
by Acct. Ends the day steering to the S West

Killed a squealer

Monday Oct 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the North  
and cloudy. At 1 PM hailed up S E by  
Compass - saw several finbacks this afternoon  
but no Right Whales. Middle & Latter part  
strong breezes from the North and rugged.  
At daylight saw whales. Duffed to the wind  
and took in the Fore Mizzen Top sails and close  
reefed the Main - found it too rugged to lower.  
And the remainder of this day we have  
been lying to under a close reefed Main & Fore  
and fore sail. The Cooper employed sitting  
up shoes. Lat Oct 34.08 South Long  
64.28 East - headed to the East

Tuesday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the North  
and rugged. At 1 PM wore ship to the  
S West. At Sunset took in the foresail and  
set 4 watches. The watch employed fitting  
craft &c. Middle part the winds hailed  
to the S West and the weather no better than  
the first. Latter part much the same as  
the middle. Saw one Right whale this  
morning but too rugged to lower.  
Ends the day lying to under a close reefed  
main & fore sail. Lat Oct 34.13 South  
Long 64.17 East.



Ship Pres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for whales  
in the Atlantic Ocean

Remarks

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy breezes from the N<sup>W</sup>  
and lugged. Lying to under a close reefed  
main topsail - headed to the West<sup>d</sup>. At Sun<sup>set</sup>  
set set four watches. Middle part more  
moderate. Latter part quite passable weather  
except now and then a squall. The water  
employed bundling bone is steering to the  
SEast under all prudent sails. Lat 34<sup>°</sup> 06' South Long 64<sup>°</sup> 50' East. Saw a  
Humpback this forenoon.

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>

Buff & Pork

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the  
westw<sup>d</sup> and squally. Steering to the  
SEast. Saw a number of Humpbacks and  
two ships to night. At Sunset took in d<sup>ee</sup>  
and set 4 watches heading to the West<sup>d</sup>.  
Middle part heavy squally from the west.  
Latter part heavy gale and a tremendous  
sea running. At 8 am took in the foresail  
and close reefed the main topsail. Headed  
to the Southward. Saw a number of right  
whales. Lat by acct 34<sup>°</sup> 40' South Long 65<sup>°</sup>  
20' East. Ends the day blowing heavy from  
the westw<sup>d</sup>.

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the W<sup>est</sup>  
(by Compass) and an ugly sea running.  
Lying to under a close reefed main topsail  
heading to the South<sup>d</sup>. At 6 PM took in the  
foretopmast staysail. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part more moderate.  
Sent in the Foretopmast staysail to be repaired.  
Still lying to under a close reefed main sail  
with the wind from the W<sup>est</sup>. Lat 34<sup>°</sup> 41'  
South Long 65<sup>°</sup> 40' East.



Ship *Ciris* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising  
For Whales

Remarks &c 1836

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and a heavy  
sea running. Employed repairing the  
Fore & Mainmasts. finished and bent it  
at 4 Pm saw whales but it was too rugged  
to lower. thought the weather moderates good  
fast and I am in hopes that by morning we  
shall have good weather. Middle part  
pleasant. Latter part the same with the  
winds from the N West. At 10 Am saw a right whale  
lowered chand but he had too many legs  
for us. Lat 35° 10' South Long 66° 00' East. Saw plenty of finbacks

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>

Chousses

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather  
from the N West. Employed cleaning some  
saw two carcasses this afternoon. At sunset  
Double reefed the Topsail and set the water  
ing to the N East. Middle part pleasant  
Latter part strong breeze from the North and  
cloudy. Lat 35° 00' South Long 66° 53'  
East. Ends the day steering off East

Monday Nov<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the North  
and rugged. At 2 Pm saw a right whale but  
could not catch him. At 7 Pm spoke the  
Ship *Piton* of Plymouth 100 days out with  
my oil. Took in sail and set the water  
three other ships in sight. Reported Capt  
Parker with 12 whales having spoken  
him a day or two since. Middle &  
Latter part heavy gale from North N West  
and very rugged. At 7 Am took in the  
foresail and close reefed the main Topsail.  
Ends the day lying too under a close reef  
main Topsail. Lat 34° 19' South.



Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford, Cruising  
for Whales

Remarks &c.

Tuesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy sea and blowing  
heavy from the N<sup>W</sup> East - Going to under  
a close reefed main topsail - At 4 PM the  
wind hauled suddenly to the S<sup>W</sup> which  
kicked up a short, ugly, cross sea. At 7 PM  
the wind all died away which made the old  
ship tumble about strangely - however there  
was not much damage done - At 1/2 past 7  
a light breeze sprang up from the West and  
it is now considerable weather. S<sup>W</sup> Breeze - Middle  
latter part more moderate. At 8 am set the  
topsails double reefed - At 10 set the mainsail &  
jib and kept off S<sup>W</sup> East - Lat by 34° 10' S  
Long - 68° 23' East

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breeze from the S<sup>W</sup> West  
and cloudy - Employed stowing down our  
(mud-egg) remnant of oil - At sunset took in sail  
and set four watches. Middle part light air  
from the N<sup>W</sup> West and cloudy. Latter part  
pleasant gale and fine weather - Saw a tight  
whale and chased but he was going quick to  
the North - did not shoot strike. Came on  
board and stood to the S<sup>W</sup> West untill the end  
Lat by 34° 50' South Long 6 East

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>

Lost three hours

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine weather  
from the N<sup>W</sup> West. At 1 PM saw, struck, and  
killed a right whale. Took him to the ship  
and cut him in - while cutting saw another  
and struck him but the first lion came  
out and they could not get near to him, at  
sunset cut off and let him go. Took in  
sail & set the watch. Middle & latter part  
squally and rainy. Saw two whales this forenoon  
but they were going quick to the N<sup>W</sup> East could  
not catch them. Lat by acct 36° 10' South  
Long East. Started a fire after breakfast  
but had to cool down again -



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Cruising  
For Whales - Remarked &c. 1836

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with a heavy squall & shift  
of winds from the North to the S.W.  
About 3 P.M. it cleared off a little at 5 P.M.  
saw whales but was so near night and the  
weather looked so hard we did not lower  
Now 7 P.M. thick, squally, rainy weather  
Middle & latter part more moderate - Saw a  
whale but was too rugged to lower At 7 A.M.  
started a fire again - saw a ship to seaward -  
Lat by Acet 34.52 South - End of the day steered  
to the N.Easter.

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

Deaf & Port -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the East  
and rugged weather - Employed boiling  
At 2 P.M. saw whales and struck one but the  
iron came out & she went off - At 4 saw more  
but they had too many legs for us At 6 P.M.  
spoke the ship *George* of London with 16  
whales having been to St. Paul's Islands -  
Capt. Barker went on board and got 2 oars  
and a spade - Middle & latter part light  
gale and squally, thick weather - Saw whales  
twice and chased but with no success - saw  
the *George* take one whale - No Lat Nov<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>  
Lat by Acet 34.30 South Long 70.10 East

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

Lost Iron -

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale but very tight  
and fine weather. Saw whales again and  
chased but with no better success - saw the  
Sh<sup>p</sup> take another whale and we have  
none - The Capt. gone on board to try to  
get a line from him - At 9 P.M. the capt. returned  
with a line - Middle & latter part pleasant  
fine weather with the wind from the South  
At daylight saw and struck tub whale and  
skinned one - Took him the ship & end of the day  
cutting - Lat by Acet 34.40 South Long  
70.20 East



Ship *Beres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of *W. Bedford* Cruising For  
Whales - Remartse 1836

Monday Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1836  
Lost one from -



Commenced with light airs from the South  
and fine weather. At 3 Pm saw and struck  
a small whale and cut him in. At dusk  
set 4 watches - The George in sight boiling.  
Middle Water part fresh breezes from the East  
and thick weather. Saw whales & chased but  
they were too wild. Ende the day chasing more  
(same ones) - - - - -

Tuesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>



Lost 2 from -



Sunk



Commenced with quite passable weather with  
the ~~weather~~ winds from the East<sup>de</sup>. Struck  
three whales this afternoon, drew from one  
saved one and sunk another. At 1/2 past  
four took one alongside and got dinner.  
At 5 Pm hooked on and twenty minutes  
before seven the last piece came in.  
Middle Water part fine weather with the  
winds from the East<sup>de</sup>. At 7 Am saw whales  
and struck, killed one took him to the ship and  
cut him in. Lat by 34. 12 South Long

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with pleasant gales from the NE  
and fine weather. All hands employed  
boiling. Have seen and chased whales  
twice this afternoon. At sunset took in sails  
and set 4 watches. Winds North with fine  
weather. Heading to the ENE. Middle  
part thick foggy weather. Latter part much the  
same. the winds varying from North to NE  
Lat by acct 34. 20 South Long 69. 40 East  
Ende the day boiling and running down the  
oil. Chased one whale to day.

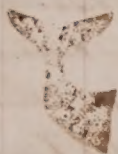


Ship crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Parker of Bedford Cruising for whales  
in the South Atlantic Ocean Remarks &c 1836

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>t</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
South and cloudy. Employed boiling &  
stowing down. At Sunset saw a whale  
but was too late to go far after him.  
Took in sail and set the watch. Middle &  
latter part pleasant. Two sails in sight. Em-  
ployed boiling &c. Lat by 33.33 South Long 70.2  
East by acct is



Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup>



Beef & Pork

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant with variable wind  
At 3 PM saw whale. Struck killed took on  
to the ship and commenced cutting about 5  
PM. Spoke the Tutor no oil yet. Had struck  
more whale and got none. Got some blubber  
out of her and a Stercor. Middle & latter  
part pleasant. Slightly a little saw whale  
and chased but could not catch them. Came  
on board again and ended the day boiling  
and stowing down. Lat by acct 34.00 S  
Long 71.00 East. Two hours cutting  
the whale.

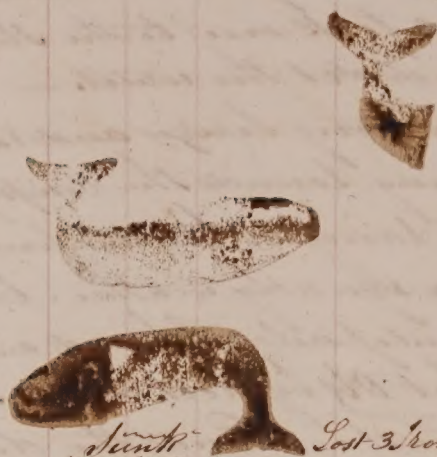
Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with fresh breezes from the NW  
and cloudy. All hands employed boiling &c.  
At sunset took in sail and set the watch.  
Middle & latter part pleasant with variable  
wind. Employed boiling. No whale  
around except finbacks. Lat by 33.40 S  
Long 71.41 East



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising  
For Whales To-morrow &c 1836

Sunday Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine  
from the N.W. Finished boiling about  
2 P.M. cleared up the deck and just before  
sunset saw a right whale but too late  
to lower. Spoke the Triton - Middle &  
Latter part light air and fine weather from the  
west at 7 A.M. saw the Triton take her first whale  
at 9 A.M. lowered and killed ~~two~~ - Sunk one  
and saved the other - Took him to the ship and  
got dinner, Got the Larboard boat stow for  
the first time - Lat Ob 33.40 South Long 72  
15 East - So End



Sunk

Lost 3 strong and  
a whole line

Monday Nov 21<sup>st</sup>



Lost strong



Flour

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from N.W. and fine weather. Employed cutting in the whale. Finished cutting about 3 P.M. Saw more whale and killed one. took him to the ship and cut him in. finished cutting about 8 P.M. Took in sail and set four wateties. Middle and latter part thick weather with the wind from the North. Employed stowing down the cold oil. The Triton in sight boiling - saw two right whale but they going quick. Lat Ob 33.50 South Long 72.25 East End the day boiling

Tuesday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with thick dirty weather with the wind from the N.W. Employed stowing down oil and flensing water in the fore hold. The Capt on board of the Triton after twenty days we have only one hundred left. At 2 P.M. he returned without any but got a few bricks to make a forge of. The Capt & Carpenter employed making fire. Saw one or two whale this afternoon - started 3 cast of bread. Middle & latter part the same as the first. Saw whale and chased but they were off. Lat Ob 33.50 South Long 72.25 East - End the day boiling



Ship Lucy 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whale To market &c 1836

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breeze and bugged  
weather with the winds from the North.  
Saw whales and took one to the ship  
cut him in and set the watch in  
Middle part strong breeze and rainy  
the winds varying round the compass.  
Middle part rainy & latter part the  
gale and rainy squally weather. Close  
reefed the maintopsails. Cleared away the  
heads of masts. Lat Obs by acct 34<sup>°</sup> 00' South  
Long 72<sup>°</sup> 40' East. End of the day  
lying to under a close reefed main & foresails

Thursday Nov<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the SE  
and rainy squally nasty weather with a  
heavy sea running. At 4 PM took in  
the foresail and wore ship to the South.  
Middle & latter part the same as the first.  
Still lying to under a close reefed main &  
sails. Lat Obs 33<sup>°</sup> 46' South Long 73<sup>°</sup> 00'  
East. Wore ship to the North West

Friday Nov<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>

Beef & Pork

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gales from the East  
and bugged but more moderate than for  
the last 24 hours. After dinner comm<sup>d</sup>  
stowing down the oil off decks. Found  
two casks stove in the hold owing to the shift  
ing boards giving away. Stowed down about  
forty bbls. Wind from the SE at dark  
and so bugged that we shall not boil to night.  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
part more moderate. At 6 PM started a fire.  
After breakfast run down what cold oil there  
was. Lat Obs 33<sup>°</sup> 30' South Long 72<sup>°</sup> 22' East  
End of the day boiling



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford's Cruising for  
Whales - Tremarck Is 1836

Saturday Nov<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with moderate weather with  
wind from the South. All hands employ<sup>d</sup>  
redo boiling, making rivets &c - For the want  
of a few rivets we shall have to the best we  
can - Middle Water part pleasant  
staring by the wind to the East. At 11 Am  
tacked to the West - Lat by 33° 21 South  
Long 72° 50 East. Ends the day boiling

Sunday Nov<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>



Lost & broke 2 Troncs

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the South  
and fine weather. Finished boiling about  
3 Pm. - At 4 saw whale and took one to  
the ship. hooked on to cut him in and  
lost the runner hook for want of suitable  
lashings, there not being any thing fit in the  
ship - Like every thing else, raised the  
fin, lashed down, and let her hang. Middle  
Water part calm. At 6 Am hooked on and  
cut in the whale and commenced stowing  
down our oil. Lat by 33° 27 South. Long 73°  
00 East by acct -

Monday Nov<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup>

Bread is



Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm & very light baffling winds from  
the all parts of the compass - Employed stowing  
down - At 7 Am started a fire - Staring to the  
South - Middle part pleasant with light air  
from the North. Employed boiling  
Latter part the same as the first - At 9 Am  
saw whale and struck killed and took one  
to the ship - Lat by 33° 48 South. Long 73° 2  
East - Ends the day chasing another whale  
Burning coal to make rivets -



Ship *Cues 2<sup>nd</sup>* Cap<sup>t</sup> Baker of Bedford on a whaling  
Voyage

Remarks &c 1836

Tuesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1836



Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the N.W. and fine weather. Took a whale alongside about 3 Pm and got dinner. At 4 Pm hooked on and cut them both in. Finished cutting at half past 7 Oclk. At 9 Pm set the water Middle Water part equally and lugged. Finished boiling the old whale and cooled down. The cooks employed setting up Shocks. The crew employed stowing down. Lat 34° 20' South Long 73° 20' East. Go End the day

Wednesday Nov<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from N.W. and lugged weather. Employed setting up Shocks. At 4 Pm started a fire again lying here under a close reefed Main Top Sail and Fore sail up to our eyes in oil. Middle Water part strong gale and lugged weather. Employed boiling & setting up Shocks. Lat 35° 13' South Long 73° 38' East. End the day heading to the West.

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the N.W. and lugged weather. Employed boiling & setting up Shocks. At 5 Pm two of the top pots bursted (on account of old age) and now we are boiling with one pot only. Have ship to the North. Here we are; only one pot set and no bricks to set another with, what we shall do I do not know. Middle Water part the same as the first. Lat 34° 40' South Long 73° 40' East. We make slow progress boiling with one pot.

Beef Work



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of Bedford, Cruising  
For Whales. Remarks &c. 1836.

Friday Dec<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>t</sup> with strong gales from the N.W.  
and rugged. Employed boiling with one pot  
setting up stocks &c. Finished boiling  
about 5 P.M. Middle Water part the same  
as the first. Employed stowing off the fore  
hold. Lat by acct 34° 20' South Long 74° 00'  
East. Ends the day standing along by the  
wind to the North and East. No Whales  
around.

One hand off duty

Saturday Dec<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with fresh gales from the N.W. and  
rugged weather. Finished stowing off the  
fore hatchway and now our lower hold is  
full. Put about 30 bbls of oil betwixt decks.  
At 2 P.M. Kept off South and run till sunset  
when we luffed to the wind and set four  
watching. Middle Water part the same  
as the first. Employed taking out one of the  
broken pots and setting the spare one in its  
place. Lat by acct 34° 42' South Long 74° 05' E.  
Storing off to the S.E. Ends the day with  
the vessel. Two hands off duty

Sunday Dec<sup>r</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with fresh breeze from the North  
and rugged. Finished the Rywork &c. and  
now we are ready for Whales again. Washed  
the Ship inside. Saw plenty of Whale  
and one finback to night: took in sail, luffed  
to the wind, and set four watches.  
Middle Water part strong gales from the  
North and rugged weather. Ends the day  
lying to under a close reefed main Top sail and  
fore sail headed to the N.E. Lat by acct  
34° 40' South Long 74° 20' East.

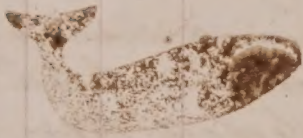


Ship *Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising  
 For Whaly. Remarks &c 1836  
 Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 1836

Thous. A. Coffey is

Commenced with strong gales from the N. and rugged thick weather. Saw a brig steering to the NEast. At 5 PM the wind hauled to the West and brought a little rain with it which cuts the sea down and makes it very comfortable. Wore ship to the East. Middle and latter part more moderate. Saw plenty of finbacks but no right whaly. Employed setting up Shooks. Lat by 34.38 South Long by Chronometer 77.50 East. End the day steering by the winds to the East. Capt. Barker quite unwell again.

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 6<sup>th</sup>



Broke 1 Iron, Lost an oar, and 1 Lance

Commenced with pleasant gales from the SW and finbacks fine weather. Employed setting up Shooks. The ship under all sail steering by the winds to the East. At 4 PM Saw eight whaly and struck killed and took one to the ship about 7 PM. Took in sail and set four watches. Capt. Barker much better. Middle & latter part the same as the first. At daylight called all hands and got breakfast. At half past 5 commencing cutting and finished at 1/2 past 7. Capt. Barker worse this morning. Lat by 34.30 South Long 78.01 East.

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather from the South. At 1 PM started a fire. Steering by the wind to the West. Middle part the same as the first. At 2 PM tacked to the South. Latter part pleasant gales from the West and fine weather. Finished boiling about 10 O'Clock. Lat by 34.49 South Long 78.08 East. End the day steering to the South. No whaly in sight.

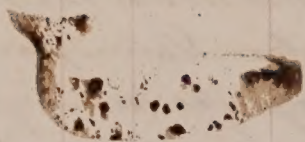


Ship Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker of Bedford Cruising  
For Whales

Remasky No 1836

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1836. Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the West and misty weather. Steering by the winds to the South. Saw a breach to night but did not see the whale. At Sunset shortened sail and set four watches. Middle part fresh breezes from the West and haggled. At 9 am spoke Ship Hogua Capt<sup>d</sup> Mosher with 1800 lbs oil. bound to the West. He came on board and spent the day with Capt<sup>d</sup> Barker who is rather better this forenoon. Lat Ob<sup>d</sup> 35° 30' Long 78° 45' East. bound to the South.

Friday Dec<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>



Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the West and haggled weather. Steering by the winds to the South. At Sunset Capt<sup>d</sup> Mosher took up sail and returned to his ship. Took in sails and set four watches. Middle part moderate. Latter part nearly calm. The Ship Hogua raised whales and killed three and got them all. We got there in time to get one and glad to get him. Took him along side and finished stowing down the oil betwixt decks. Lat Ob<sup>d</sup> 36° 25' South. Long 78° 30' East. so Endy the day.

Saturday Dec<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>



1 Skin lost

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and light airs from all quarters. Employed cutting. Middle part fair breezes from the North and haggled. At half past 7 am finished cutting. Latter part fresh breezes from the North and cloudy. At 9 am saw Richard, struck, killed two and ends the day getting them along side. got one boat stove. Lat by Acct 36° 50' South. Long 79° 00' East.



Ship *Lucas 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt. Barker of Bedford On a Whaling  
Voyage. Remarks to 1836

Sunday Dec<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale and rugged  
but the last whale alongside about 3 Pm  
and at half past 3 commenced cutting  
and at half past 7 Pm the two whales were  
both in the flubber room. Took in sail  
and set half watches. Middle Water  
part squally from the N East. Employed  
boiling and making a pen for beads.  
Lat by acct 36° 30' South Long 77° 00' East  
at 12 o'clk cooled down the works.  
Capt Barker and Mr. Smith both sick.

Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the North  
and squally from the N West. At 3 Pm  
started a fire again and started 2 casks of  
beads into the bin. Capt Barker gaining  
slowly. And Mr. Smith quite sick. Middle  
part heavy gale from the N West and an ugly  
sea running. Cooled down the fire and  
took in the foresail. Latter part more  
moderate but a heavy sea running.  
At 5 am started a fire again. Lat by  
36° 14' South Long 79° 19' East. Ends the day  
boiling. All hands off duty.

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh & gale from the westward  
and very rugged. Employed boiling &c  
Middle part more moderate. Middle  
& Latter part fresh gale from the N West and  
cloudy. Employed boiling. started bread flour  
hoops, flags &c &c. Lat by 36° 32' South  
Long 79° 00' East if the Long was right up  
today. Ends the day boiling.  
Two hands off duty.  
Found 8 cask of bead. 10 of flour &c.



Ship crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Baker of N Bedford on a whaling

Voyage

Wormsley &c 1836

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the N  
and rugged. Employed boiling and  
stowing the water off betwixt decks. Mid  
dle & Latter part squally rainy nasty weather  
Finished boiling about 11 P.M. The whale  
turned up about 160 bbls oil. Lat 04  
36" 20 South Long by acct 78" 40 East  
Ends the day going to under a close reef  
Main Topsails. Mr Smith & Two hands  
off duty.

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>

Pork & Flour

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
N.W. and rugged. The watch employed  
coopering the oil and filling it up ready  
for stowing. Coopered & filled up about  
70 bbls. Standing to the west under a  
close reefed Main Tails & Foresails.  
At sunset set four watches. Middle  
& Latter part pleasant with the wind from  
the East. Employed stowing down the  
oil. Lat 04 36.03 South Long 79.00  
East. Ends the day stowing down.  
Mr Smith and two hands off duty.

Friday Dec<sup>r</sup> 16<sup>th</sup>



Mr Smith & Two hands off duty

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the N.E.  
and pleasant. Employed stowing down  
the oil. At 2 P.M. spoke ship Hongqua with  
2000 bbls. At 4 saw whales and took one  
and saw the Hongqua take one whale.  
Got all snug and set four watches.  
Middle & Latter part fresh breezes and squally  
from the N.E. & North. At 7 A.M. hooked  
down & cut in our whale and at half past 8  
the last piece came in. The Hongqua to be  
and cutting. Lat by acct 36.00 Long 79.30  
East. Our whale liked to have been a day's start.  
Saw whales again this morning but the weather  
looked so bad we thought best to cut the one  
we had first and did not look for them.



Ship *Ceres* <sup>2nd</sup> Capt. Barker of W. Bedford On a whaling  
Cruise

Remarks No 1836

Saturday Dec<sup>r</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 1836

Beef & Mutton

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong breezes from the North  
and thick, foggy, rainy weather - Spoke the  
Boquar. At sunset set four watches in  
Middle part the same as the first. Latter  
part fresh breezes from the West and fine weather  
Steering by the winds to the South<sup>W</sup>. The  
Cooper employed setting up Shooks - Lat Ob  
36<sup>o</sup> 54 South Long by Chronometer 79<sup>o</sup> 40 East  
Ends the day looking for whales

Sunday Dec<sup>r</sup> 18<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the NW  
and fine weather - Employed looking for  
whales - Cooper setting up Shooks -  
At sunset took in sail and set four watches  
Middle part pleasant gales from the North  
and thick foggy weather. Latter part the same  
as the middle - Lat by Acet 37<sup>o</sup> 30 South  
Long 80<sup>o</sup> 00 East. Ends the day Steering by the  
winds to the West<sup>W</sup> under a close reefed m  
Topsail and fore sail -

Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 19<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NW  
and thick foggy weather - Steering to the  
West Southwest under a double reefed main  
topsail and foresail - Middle part the same  
as the first - Latter part fresh breezes from the  
North and foggy - At 8 am started a fire to  
boil out our drupkin - Lat Ob 37<sup>o</sup> 39 South  
Long by Acet 79<sup>o</sup> 50 East - Ends the day  
boiling



Ship *Ceres* and Cap<sup>t</sup> Barker of Bedford on a whaling  
Cruise about Amsterdam Island &c. February 1836.

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
North and foggy thick nasty weather. Ex-  
posed boiling. At 1 P.M. tacked to the  
N.East. At sunset close reefed the main  
sails and set half watches in Middle  
Water part squally and raining until about  
7 A.M. when it cleared off and held fair  
until the End. At 10 A.M. saw low  
right whale going quick to the N.West  
lowered & chased but could not catch the  
Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 36° 57' South Long 80° 23' East  
Ends the day boiling.

Post P.

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
West<sup>nd</sup> and fine weather. After boiling  
our day's whale about 24 hours we made  
out to get about 9 bbls oil and getting short  
of fuel we hove the rest overboard.  
Steering by the wind to the North set  
half watches at sunset all sail out.  
Middle Water part fresh breezes from the W.  
and fine weather. Coopers employed emptying  
setting up Shooks. Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 35° 38' South  
Long 79° 53' East. Ends the day standing  
to the N.West in Saw-Killer.

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the West<sup>nd</sup> and  
fine weather. At half past 4 tacked to the  
South. Have seen nothing but killies to day.  
Coopers setting up Shooks. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part strong gale from  
the N.West and foggy. At 4 A.M. double reefed  
the Topsails and took in the Jib & Spanker.  
At 9 took in the Fore & Mizzen Topsails and close reefed  
the main. Lat Ob<sup>j</sup> 37° 05' South Long 78° 57'  
Ends the day Steering to the N.West.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford On a  
Whaling Voyage      Remarks      1836  
Friday Decr 23<sup>rd</sup> 1836

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the N West  
and huggers. Furl'd the Fore sail & main  
sails. Saw a number of Humpbacks and  
bunches of kelp to day and here we are  
lying to under a close reefed main Top  
Middle & latter part the same as the first  
the wind veering to the West. Set the fore sail  
and fore spencer. Lat by 37° 36' South  
Long 79° 16' East. Ende the Standing to  
the South is —————

Saturday Decr 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale from the S West  
and huggers. At half past twelve set  
the fore & main Top sails, & started to the NW  
At 3 PM set the jib & mainsail. Now 7 PM  
and blowing fresh from the S West. Steering  
by the wind to the NW under double reefed  
Top sails jib & mainsail & c. Middle part  
more moderate with the wind from the  
S West. Shook the reefs out of the Top sails &  
set the 2<sup>nd</sup> sail. Latter part light gale  
At 7 AM saw the Island of Amsterdam  
bearing West distant 12 or 15 leagues.  
Lat by acct 37° 20' South Long 77° 32'  
End of the day Steering to the NW

Sunday Decr 25<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light variable airs and calms  
the ship heading along to the N West.  
Saw two solitary looking whales (fin back)  
this afternoon. At sunset the Island bore  
S West about 18 leagues distant.  
Middle part fresh breezes and cloudy. Latter  
part strong gale and huggers. At 5 AM  
took in 2 Ballantails and double reefed  
the Top sail. Latitude by 37° 32' South  
Long 77° 00' East. Ende the day Steering  
to the W S West. Amsterdam bearing SE  
at noon



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Whale about St Pauly. Remarks 1836  
Monday Dec<sup>r</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> 1836

Hours

Commenced with strong gales from the N West  
and rugged. Steering to the N. West under  
double reefed Topsails. At 10 AM Took in  
the fore and mizen Topsails Mainsail and  
close reefed the Main Topsails. Thick nasty  
weather. Amsterdam Island bore by  
East distant 10 Leagues or thereabouts  
Middle part more moderate. Tacked ship  
to the N West and made sail the winds  
hauling to the South<sup>th</sup>. Latter part small  
airs from the N West and fine weather. Em-  
ployed washing boat &c. Lat 37° 15' South  
Long 75° 34' East. End of the day  
steering to the N West for Delano's Bay

Tuesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup>

Day & Port

Commenced with light airs and calm. Saw a  
right whale going quick to the South. Followed  
and chased but to no purpose. At 8 PM  
and calm as a clock. Middle part light airs  
from the N West and pleasant, steering to the N  
by the winds. Latter part fresh breezes  
from the North and pleasant. The watch em-  
ployed cleaning bone. Lat 37° 30' South  
Long 74° 06' East. End of the day steering  
by the winds to the West with all sail out

Wednesday Dec<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup>

Water

Commenced with pleasant breezes from the North  
and cloudy. Employed scraping bone.  
Steering to the West. Middle part thick  
rainy weather. At 2 PM the wind hauled to the  
South and so continued until 6 PM. Latter  
part pleasant gales from N West and  
fine weather. The watch employed clean-  
ing bone. Parted the foot rope to the fore  
topsails put on a stopper and set it again.  
Lat 37° 15' South Long 72° 52' East



Ship Capt<sup>l</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising  
Towards the Cape of Good Hope. Remarks &c

Thursday Dec<sup>r</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh gale from the  
Westward and squally in. Steering to the  
NNW with all sails out. Middle part  
the same as the first. Latter part pleasant  
gale from the W and fine weather.  
The watch employed cleaning bone. Lat by  
35° 03' South Long 71° 29' East  
Ends the day Steering to the NNW  
with all sail out.

Friday Dec<sup>r</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the SW  
and fine weather. The watch employed  
cleaning bone. Ship's course NNW.  
Middle part nearly calm. Latter part very  
light air from the South and cloudy. Finish  
ed cleaning and bundling bone and broke  
out between decks to stow away the dry skin oil.  
Lat by 33° 30' South Long 70° 32' East End  
the day Steering to the NNW.

Saturday Dec<sup>r</sup> 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breeze from the SE  
and fine weather. All hands employed  
preparing to clean ship. Steering to the NNW  
with all sail out. Middle and Latter part  
the same as the first with the wind from the  
Eastwards. Employed in ship's duty.  
Lat by 32° 32' South Long 68° 44' East.  
Ends the day Steering by the wind to the  
E and NNW.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Bound towards  
The Island of Madagascar Remarked 1837  
Sunday Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>t</sup> with fresh gales from the North and cloudy. The watch employed taking the sheathing up. Washed the Masts &c. Middle part the same as the first. At 10 Pm blowed away the old fore topsails. Latter part heavy gales and squally from the N West. At 7 Pm the winds hauled to the Westward. Sent the old one down and bent the new fore topsails. So Ends the day  
Lat Ob 32.34 South. Long 67.07 East  
Ends the day steering by the winds to the Northwards.

Monday Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales from the N West and an ugly head sea running. Steering to the North by the winds with all <sup>Sails</sup> set to the best advantage. Middle part fresh breezes from the N West squally. Latter part the same as the middle. The watch employed cleaning ship. Steering by the winds to the N East. Lat Ob 30.46 South. Long by Chronometer 67.12 East by Sun at 68.31 East. Ends the day cleaning ship inside.

Tuesday Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant breezes from the N West and fine weather. All hands employed cleaning ship inside & nearly finished the bulwarks inside board. Middle part light gales from the South and pleasant weather. Latter part the same as the middle. All hands employed repairing the old main topsails and ripping up the old fore topsails getting out studd<sup>s</sup> sails &c. One sail in sight ahead. Lat Ob 29.12 South. Long 66.12 East. Ends the day repairing the old main topsail.



Ship *Bury* 2<sup>nd</sup>, Capt. Barker of Bedford bound the port  
Towards the Cape of Good Hope      Remark 1<sup>st</sup> 1837  
Wednesday Jan 4<sup>th</sup> 1837

Beef & Pork,

Commenced with pleasant gale from the East  
and fine weather. All hands employed repairing  
the old main top sail. Finished and bent it  
and sent the other down below. At sunset the  
sail bore N. N. W. distant 5 or 6 leagues.  
Middle Water part pleasant gale from the  
Eastward and fine weather. Sent out the fly jib  
boom. Sent aloft the royal masts and main royal  
sail set it also the main & fore sails. Lat by  
27° 55 South Long 64° 30 East. End the  
day steering to the N. West.

Thursday Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant fresh breeze from the  
Eastward and fine weather. Sent out the  
lower studding sails also the main & fore  
sails. Bent the boom aloft the boom forward  
about the close main and bent the sprits  
and done many other little jobs too numerous  
to mention. The wind hauling to the  
north ~~gradually~~ gradually is Middle part fresh  
breeze from the N. East. Took in the studding  
sails and dined the yards and let her go.  
Latter part light air from the North and pleasant.  
All hands employed repairing sails. Lat by  
26° 44 South Long 62° 33 East. End the day  
repairing sails.

Friday Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gale from North N. W.  
and fine weather. All hands employed repairing  
sails making spungam &c. Steering by the  
wind to the West. Middle part fresh breeze  
from N. West and cloudy. Latter part the  
same as the Middle. Employed fitting the  
fore sails. Lat by 27° 14 South Long by acct  
61° 00 East. End the day steering to the  
West by the wind. Blew away the old  
jib and bent the new one. So Ends



Ship. Cery 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barton of N Bedford Bounds towards.

The Cape of Good Hope

Remarks &c 1836

Saturday Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally from the N. Wind  
raining - Employed sailing ship - At 2 Pm  
tacked to the North - Middle part  
pleasant gale and fine weather from the East  
The ship under all sails heading to the N West  
The watch employed repairing sails &c - Lat 0  
26 " 28 South Long 60 " 16 East - Ends the day  
steering N West is

Sunday Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the South  
and fine weather - All the Studd<sup>d</sup> sails  
set to the best advantage - Employed repa-  
ring sails - Middle part light baffling, variable  
airs and cloudy - Latter part the same -  
Lat 0 25 " 21 South Long 58 " 20 East -  
Ends the day steering N by west with all  
sail set to the best Advantage is

Monday Jan 10<sup>th</sup>

Hours

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather and variable  
airs from the East - Steering N by west with  
all sail out - Middle part the same as  
the first - Latter part pleasant gale from  
the Eastward and fine weather - Steering N by  
with all sail out - Sent down the main  
Topsail and repaired it and bent it again  
Some hands employed drawing & knotting gear  
for Spungain &c - Lat 0 25 " 03 South  
Long 56 " 46 East - Ends the day as usual is



Ship Care 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford's Bounce  
Towards the Cape of Good Hope

Remarks &c 1837.

Tuesday Jan 10<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales and fine weather from the East. Employed repairing the main Spencer drawing and knotting yarn & making Spun yarn & Steering W. N. W. under all sails. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant with light air from the E. N. East. The watch employed washing ship outside. Lat Ob 24° 45' South Long 55° 08' East. Ends the day washing ship.

Wednesday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light breezes from the East and fine weather. The watch employed cald tarring the Iron work about the ship. Steering to the W. N. West with all sails out. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part fresh breezes from the E. N. East and fine weather. Employed painting ship till breakfast time when we gave up. Drawing and knotting yarn for running rigging. Ends the day. Lat Ob 24° 45' South Long 52° 45' East. So & steering W. N. W. & W.

Thursday Jan 12<sup>th</sup>

By 1 Port

Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales from the East and fine weather. Employed drawing and knotting yarn &c. Steering W. N. W. with all sails out. Middle & Latter part squally with the winds from the N. N. East. The watch employed drawing and knotting yarn &c. Lat Ob 24° 38' South Long 51° 23' by Chronometer and 51° 35' by Ob of 10 m.



Ship Crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of N Bedford Bound to

The Islands of Madagascar Remark 1837

Friday Jan<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1837

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
N East and quite passable weather. The  
watch employed drawing & mending yards  
Steering N by North with all sail out in  
Middle and Latter part the same as the  
first. Painted the Starboard side of the ship  
to day. Lat 64° 25' 00 South Long 49° 17' E  
by Chronometer 49° 17' by Observations. &  
End of the day Steering N by North.

Saturday Jan<sup>y</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>



Commenced with light air from the N E East  
and fine weather. The watch employed  
making rigging &c. Middle part nearly  
calm. Middle part pleasant gales from  
the N East and fine weather. Latter part the same  
At daylight Saw sperm whale and took one  
to the ship about 9 AM. the rest went off &  
got breakfast and at 11 AM commenced cutting. At  
3 got clear of the clear of the hinds and body  
and so End Lat 64° 52 South Long  
48° 27 East.

Sunday Jan<sup>y</sup> 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather and a pleasant  
breeze from the N East. finished cutting and  
at 5 PM set half watches. Middle part the same  
Latter part fresh breeze from the North and fine  
weather. Employed boiling. At daylight mended  
sails and stowed N by lost until the end  
Lat 64° 24' 39 South Long 47° 56 by 64° 8  
47° 32 by Chronometer.



Ship *Cory 2<sup>nd</sup>* Capt<sup>n</sup> Barker of *Bedford Town*  
Toward the Islands of *Madagascar* - Remark &c, 1837  
Monday Aug 16<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
North and fine weather - Employed boiling  
At 7 Am saw the Islands of *Madagascar*  
bearing w by south distant 8 Leagues. Hauled  
off to the South and set the watch -  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter  
part fresh breezes from the East<sup>n</sup> and  
rugged - At daylight kept off West  
till 8 Am when we kept away West - Finishing  
boiling about 10 Am - Lat by Obs<sup>n</sup> 25° 31'  
South Long 46° 21' East by Chronometer  
End the day Steering along in sight of the  
Islands -

Tuesday Aug 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant strong gales and  
very rugged, Steering W by South by Compass  
Middle part the same as the first - Latter part  
more moderate - At 7 Am hauled up WNW  
and steered so until the end - The watch  
employed in ship's duty - Lat Obs<sup>n</sup> 26° 35' S  
Long 44° 00' East by Chronometer -

Wednesday Aug 18<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the East<sup>n</sup>  
and rugged weather - The watch employed  
making running rigging fitting new bairns  
Shrouds &c &c Went the new foresails this afternoon  
Steering to the West by Compass - Middle part  
light breezes from the East<sup>n</sup> and pleasant weather  
Latter part the same as the same of the middle  
The watch employed making running rigging  
ing West under easy sails - Lat Obs<sup>n</sup> 26° 20'  
South Long 42° 29' East - So End the day -



Ship *Seres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of Bedford Cruising for  
Sperm in the Mouth of the Mozambique. Remarks 1837

Thursday Jan<sup>y</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale and pleasant  
weather. Employed coopers and stow  
down the oil. Finished and washed off  
Molasses. Steering to the W<sup>N</sup> West Middle latter  
part pleasant breezes from the E<sup>SE</sup> East and  
fine weather. Employed painting the  
Starboard side. Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 26° 17' South Long  
40° 21' East by Chronometer. Ends the day  
Steering W<sup>N</sup> North with a fore Topmast  
sail set.

Friday Jan<sup>y</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the  
E<sup>SE</sup> East and fine weather. The watch  
employed in ship's duty is Steering W<sup>N</sup> by  
Compass. Middle latter part fresh breeze  
from the Eastwards and pleasant weather.  
The watch employed fitting rigging &c  
Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 26° 36' South Long 37° 28' East  
by Chronometer. Steering west by north  
with one Muddy sail set.

Saturday Jan<sup>y</sup> 21<sup>st</sup>

Beef & Pork

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from E<sup>SE</sup> East  
and pleasant weather. The watch employe  
drawing & knotting yarn for running  
rigging. Steering to the westwards yet is  
Middle part more moderate. Latter part plea  
sant breezes and fine weather. Put the hold &c  
Lat Ob<sup>y</sup> 27° 15' South Long 35° 13' East Ends  
the day Steering to the Westwards.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Looking for  
Whale at the Southern Entrance of the Mozambique Channel -  
Sunday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 1837

Hours

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the East  
and fine weather. Steering to the West  
with one Studd<sup>d</sup> sail set. Middle &  
Latter part inclining to be squally with the  
wind baffling & light. Lat by 27° 44' South  
Long 35° 24' East - At 9 AM hauled up 11 PM  
and steered so until the end.

Monday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale from the  
East with and fine weather. At 4 PM hauled  
up 11 PM. Middle part fresh gale  
from East to NE and cloudy. Latter  
part light variable air and calm. The watch  
employed making rigging &c. Lat by  
30° 23' South Long 32° 13' East. End the  
day steering by the wind to the NE.

One hand off Duty

Tuesday Jan 24<sup>th</sup>

Water

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the SE West  
and fine weather. The watch employed  
filling up old rigging. Bent the best Main  
Soft Sail this afternoon. At 6 PM tacked ship  
to the westward. Middle part variable  
windy & squally. Latter part light gale from  
the South West and pleasant. Employed in  
various duties. Lat by 30° 52' South Long  
30° 39' East. At End steering by the wind  
to the westward.

Two hands off duty



Ship *Greyhound* Capt. Parker of *Bradford Bunde*  
Towards the Cape of Good Hope *Permarby* 1837  
Wednesday Aug 25<sup>th</sup> 1837

Commenced with pleasant breezes from  
the S.W. South and fine weather  
Saw the coast bearing from West by North  
to N.East distant 30 miles. Steering  
the winds to the Westwards. Middle  
part calm and light wind from the East  
and fine weather. Lat Ob. 31° 40' South Long  
29° 50' East. The land still in sight.  
End of the day steering West under all sail.

Three hands off duty

Thursday Aug 26<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fresh breeze from the East  
and cloudy. The ship under all sail  
steering West. The watch employed in  
shift duty. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part fresh breeze from the West  
and squally. Took in the Studding Sails and  
braced up the yards and steered to the South.  
Lat Ob. 34° 25' South Long 28° 48' East  
Employed tacking in making sail &c.

Three hands off duty

Friday Aug 27<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fresh breeze from the S.W.  
and hazy. At 4 P.M. tacked to the West  
wards. Saw a ship to leeward showing  
French colors. They signified some but  
we could not talk French. At sunset they  
were off our lee quarter distant 7 or 8 miles  
but they cannot sail with us. Middle  
part the same as the first. The French  
man in sight to leeward. Lat Ob. 35° 07' South  
Long 26° 47' East. End of the day steering  
winds to the West. Four hands off duty.

Deer



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of *Madagascar* bound to *London*  
The Cape of Good Hope      Remarks &c      1837  
Saturday Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 1837

Deer

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the South  
and rugged. At 3 PM the wind hauled to  
the East<sup>ly</sup>. Squared the yard and set the  
fore topmast and tail. The Frenchman on  
of sight to leeward. Middle part calm & light  
winds from the East. Latter part pleasant gales  
from E. S. East and Cloudy. Employed in  
various duty. Lat by acct 35° 30' South Long  
24° 35' East. Ship's course West 1/2 North  
Four hands off duty

Sunday Aug 29<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the East  
and cloudy. Tacking N. N. West under all  
sails. Middle and latter part strong  
breezes from the Westwards and cloudy.  
Steering by the wind to the Southwest. At 3 PM  
tacked ship to the North and stood to the  
north until the end. Lat by 36° 36' North  
Long 22° 34' East.  
Four hands off duty

Monday Aug 30<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the West<sup>ly</sup>  
and squally. Steering by the wind to the  
north. At 4 PM the wind hauled to the  
Southwest. Ship's course N. West by compass.  
Middle latter part fresh breezes from  
the S. West and rugged. The watch was  
employed variously. Lat by 35° 47' South Long  
20° 25' East. End the day steering to the  
N. West under all sails.  
Four hands off duty



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N Bedford Bound Toward

The Cape of Good Hope

February 1837

Monday Jan 31<sup>st</sup> 1837

Took

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the South  
and cloudy. Steering to the N.W. by compass  
under all sails. At 3 P.M. saw a sail and  
they tried to speak us but they overshoot. We  
missed her supposed to be a Portuguese  
Ship. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part strong gale from the  
East and rugged weather. At 5 A.M. saw  
the Cape of Good Hope bearing N.N.E.  
distant 7 or 8 Leagues. At 8 Carried away fore  
T.M. Muddersail boom. Took in the Mudders  
and ended the day steering to the N.N.W. by  
compass. Lat Obs 34° 02' South. Long 16° 40'  
East. Five hands off duty.

Tuesday Feb 1<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gales from the  
East and an ugly sea running. Steer-  
ing to the N.N.W. under all prudent  
sails. Middle part much the same as the  
first. Latter part more moderate. At 10 A.M.  
set fore top mast studdensails. At 12 o'clock  
the lower and main top gallant studdensails.  
Lat Obs 31° 54' South. Long 13° 50' East.  
by Chronometer. So End the day steer-  
ing to the N.N.W.  
Five hands off duty.

Wednesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with strong gale from the South  
and quite passable weather. Employed  
variously. Steering N.N.W. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part  
light gale from the West and fine weather.  
The watch employed variously. Lat Obs 29° 50'  
South. Long 11° 14' East. By Lunar 11° 09' East.  
End the day as usual.



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford bound from the  
Cape of Good Hope towards St Helena. Remarks &c 1837  
Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> 1836



Saw 3 sperm Whales

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from the NW  
and fine weather. At 4 PM saw 3 sperm  
whales and chased & struck one but the  
iron came out and they all went off.  
Steering to N.W. by Compass. Middle  
part calm. Latter part very light baffling  
wind from all points of the compass.  
Lat 29.03 South Long 10.57 East.  
Five hands off duty.

Saturday July 4<sup>th</sup>

Breeze

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and light variable  
airs. Employed in ship's duty.  
Middle part quite a breeze from the NW  
and fine weather. Latter part small air  
from the Westward and fine weather.  
Employed in ship's duty. Lat 29.54  
South Long 10.04 East. End of the day  
steering to the N.W. West.  
Four hands off duty.

Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>

Flow

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gale from NW and  
fine weather. All sail set to the best ad-  
vantage. Middle and Latter part pleas-  
ant gale from the SE and fine weather.  
Ship's course N.W. by NW by Compass  
variation 26° West. Lat 26.15 S  
Long 8.00 East. End of the day as usual.  
Six hands off duty.



Ship Ceres 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt Barker of N. Bedford Toward  
the Islands of St Helena

Remaster &c 1837

Monday July 6<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
East and fine weather. Steering N.W.  
by Compass with all sails set to the  
best advantage. Middle part the same  
as the first. Latter part light gale and  
fine weather. Employed making running  
rigging & doing many other small jobs about  
the ship. Lat by 24° 51' South Long  
5° 52' East. End the day steering  
N.W. by West.

Six hands off duty.

Tuesday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from  
the East and fine weather.  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Steering N.W. with all sails set to the  
best advantage. The watch employed  
variously. Lat by 23° 15' South Long  
2° 44' East. End the day as usual.

Five hands off duty.

Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the  
East and cloudy. Steering off N.W.  
with all sails out. Middle & latter  
part the same as the first. The watch  
employed in ship's duty. Lat by 21° 40'  
South Long 2° 12' East. End the day  
as usual.

Five hands off duty.



Ship Capt<sup>2nd</sup> Capt' Baker of Bedford Bound  
Toward St Helena Wmarter 1837  
Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup> 1837

Commenced with pleasant gale and  
cloudy weather. Steering N. N. W.  
with sail set to the best advantage.  
Middle Water part the same as the  
first. All hands employed in and  
about the rigging. Lat Ob 20° 08 South  
Long 00° 00' 15 East. End of the day Steer-  
ing N. by West.  
Six hands off duty

Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gale from the East  
and fine weather. Employed full hands  
fitting rigging &c. Steering N. N. West.  
Middle Water part very small air from the  
Southeast and fine weather. All hands em-  
ployed breaking up the old boats. Lat Ob  
15° 35 South Long 1° 09 West by Chronom-  
eter and 57 miles west by Sun. End  
the day of usual.  
Six hands off duty and as many  
more complaining.

Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with a very small breeze from the  
East and fine weather. All hands employed  
variously. Steering N. N. West. Middle  
part much the same as the first. Latter  
part pleasant breeze from the East  
and cloudy. A ship in company that  
shows French colors. Lat Ob 17° 35 South  
Long 3° 08 by Chronometer 3° 29 1.300 West  
by Sun. End the day Steering  
the N. N. West.  
Eight hands off duty



Ship Capt Barker of A. Bedford

Tuesday St Helena

Remarks 1837

Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> 1837

Commenced with pleasant breezes from the East and fine weather. Steered N. West. At 4 PM. Spoke the French ship Harmonie of Harre 18 months out 1500 Mts. to Cape of Good Hope. This ship London Packet. Young with 600 Mts. on the East of November. Middle Water part the same as the first. Lat 6° 16' 13" South Long 15° 41' 31" West. By Sunday 4 PM. 25 Mts. End the day as usual. Seven hands off deck.

Monday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Port

Commenced with pleasant gales from the East and fine weather. At 2 PM. hauled up. At 3 PM. saw the land bearing N. West distant 8 or 10 Leagues. Got the anchor off the bow and chains bent in the Studdard sail and got up. Two sails in sight. Middle part fresh breezes from the East and fine weather. At 12 PM. hauled down the wind and stood till 3 PM. then stood in for Jamestown and came to anchor in 22 fathoms water. The town bearing N. West. Middle hill N. by West. End the day with one watch on shore.

Tuesday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced lying at anchor at St Helena. One watch on shore on Liberty. Waiting for our turn to get water. End the day lying at anchor.

Wednesday July 15<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fine weather. Still lying at anchor. One watch on shore. Two men on the consul's boat. End the day. Two ships sailed to day.

Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Commenced Employed getting off. Got off some water to day. One watch on Liberty.

Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with rain squally. Middle Water part more pleasant. Got off the remainder of our water.



Ship Capt. Barker of Bedford Spring at  
Anchor in the Harbor of St Helena. Remarks &c.

Thursday July 18<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant weather. Spent  
anchor at St Helena. One watch on  
shore. The rest employed in blacking the  
bend &c.

Friday July 19<sup>th</sup> 1836 Comm<sup>d</sup> & Ende getting ready for  
at daylight called all hands and hoisted  
shot. At 10 AM the Minerva got under  
weigh and went to sea. Ende the day  
waiting for the Capt.

Hoare

Monday July 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breeze and squally  
weather. At 4 PM took our anchor and  
went to sea. Got all snug and got under  
weigh. Left Edw<sup>d</sup> Herdall under the Coast's  
care and took as passengers Charles Grant  
(the man that left us at St Michael). Middle  
bladder part squally with light airs from  
the East. Lat by 14° 52' South Long  
8° 00' West. Ende the day steering NW  
by North. The Minerva in sight ahead  
spraying a fine stream of water. Main royal

Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gale and fine  
weather from the East steering NW  
by North. At 2 PM saw a sail ahead  
supposed to be the Houqua. Employed  
trimming ship. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part light air  
from the East and pleasant. Lat  
by 13° 43' South Long 9° 54' West



Ship Crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of Bedford Bound Town

The Islands of Ascension To-morrow &c.

- 2 Wednesday Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>t</sup> with pleasant gales from  
Beef from the East and fine weather. Employed in ships duty. Storing  
the N.W. in company with the Minerva. Middle part much the same as  
the first. Latter part light air from the East and pleasant weather. Employed  
stowing down water forward. Lat 12.34 South Long 11.19 West. Ends the  
day returning to the N.W. by Company. Capt. Johnson on board.

3 Thursday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light breezes from the eastwards and cloudy. Saw a ship  
to windward. Middle part pleasant breezes and cloudy. Latter part the same  
as the first. The Minerva ahead of us  
showing us five studding sails and four masts.  
The Minerva's main royals and courses.  
Lat 10.48 South Long 12.25 West

4 Thursday Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>t</sup> with light breezes from the East  
and fine weather. Storing N.W. west  
for the Islands of Ascension. Middle  
part the same as the first. Employed in  
ships duty. Latter part fresh breezes  
from the East and fine weather.  
The Minerva & two other sail in  
sight. Lat 8.51 South Long 13.2  
West. Ends the day as usual.



This vessel 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Barker of N Bedford Bound  
Toward the United States Columbus 1837  
5 Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breeze and  
fine weather from the N East  
The watch employed blacking the chain  
and other iron work about the hull  
The Minerva and two other sails in day  
Middle Water part the same as the first  
At 10 AM saw the land bearing NW  
and at 9 AM sent in a boat to trade  
At 12 O'clk the boat returned but  
could <sup>do</sup> nothing like traders Steered  
away NW by vessel At noon the land  
bore NE by East distant 3 leagues

Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup>

Brig & Parker

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breeze and cloudy  
from the NE East. Ship's course NW  
with all sail out. To night the Minerva  
took her leave of us. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part  
pleasant. Steering NW by Compass  
Lat Ob 6.46 South Long 17.15 West by  
Chronometer. End the day as usual  
One hand off duty

7 Monday July 27<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the NE  
and fine weather. Steering NW by  
Compass. The Minerva out of sight  
Middle part light gales from the NE East and  
fine weather. Employed making warming  
painting the waist &c. Latter part cloudy  
Latter part Lat Ob 5.43 South Long  
19.11 West So End the day is

One hand off duty



Ship *Ceres* Capt Parker of N Bedford Bound

8 Towards the United States

Tuesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with light gales from the  
East and cloudy. Employed filling  
Ship &c. Steering N by Compass  
Middle part much the same as  
first Employed painting the ship  
hull. Latter part very small  
and pleasant weather. Steering  
N by N by compass Lat  $41^{\circ} 3'$   
Long  $20^{\circ} 44'$  West. To End  
One hand off duty

9 Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with very small air from  
the E & East and fine weather. Fin-  
ished painting and commenced  
the rigging again. Middle part the  
same as the first. Latter part fine  
with pleasant gales from the E &  
Employed painting the stern  
winding &c &c Lat  $41^{\circ} 3'$  South  
Long  $22.15$  West. Ends the day as  
usual  
One hand off duty

10 Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant gales from the  
East and fine weather. Painting the  
stern filling the rigging &c. Painted the  
fly jibboom & bowsprit. Middle part  
equally. Latter part pleasant. Em-  
ployed in various duties Lat  $41^{\circ} 2'$   
South Long  $23.39$  West. Ship's course  
N N W by Compass

One hand off duty  
Strong current setting to the west



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt<sup>r</sup> Baskin of New Bedford  
Bound Towards the United States Newmarket Dec 1837

11 Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1837

Commenced with pleasant weather and light airs from the E. Easter. The watch employed about the rigging Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant gale from N. East and fine weather. Saw a Grampus today Lat 06.1.02 South Long 24.59 West. Ende the day steering N by West. One sail in sight astern but comes up with us very fast.

One hand off duty

12 Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with light gales from the N. E. and squally. The watch employed about the rigging. A sail in sight Middle part much the same as the first. Latter part very light airs from the South. Lat 06.00.17 North. Long 26.11 West. Ende the day steering N by West by compass. The stranger (sail) in sight.

One hand off duty

13 Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with very light gales and pleasant weather from the South. Steering N by West by compass. Once more we are in North Latitude. Middle part heavy squally from the East & N. East. Latter part light variable wind and calm. Lat 06.1.03 North Long by acct 27.00 West. Ende the day steering to the N. West by the Wind.

Two hand off duty



Ship *Corvus* Capt. *Bathur* of *New Bedford* Bound

Towards the *United States*      *Remarks* &c 1837

14 Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with very light baffling wind and squally weather. At 5 PM took a light pleasant breeze from the ESE. Set studd<sup>a</sup> sails and let her go again. A brig in sight to the Westward of us. Middle part part calm. Employed filling rigging &c. Lat 41.30 North. Long 28.36 West. Our night (brig) in sight to the West of us.

Two hands off duty.

15 Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with calm and light air from the East. Employed battening the fore rigging. The brig in sight. Middle part small breeze from the NE and fine weather. Latter part some squalls otherwise pleasant. The brig still in sight. Lat 42.15 North. Long by acct 29.30 West. Ends the day steering North.

One hand off duty.

16 Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with squally winds and rain from the East. At 6 PM the wind veered to the Eastward. Middle part the same as the first. Latter part pleasant gale from the East and fine weather. Lat 43.39 North. Long by acct 31.00 West. Ends the day steering North.

Brig

One hand off duty.



Ship Crew Capt Barker of Bedford Bound  
Toward the United States Remarks Sec 1837  
17 Thursday March 9<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
N East and equally. Tattling the  
main Irons rigging, making ripe the  
the chief business of these 12 hours.  
Middle part more pleasant. Latter  
part the same as the middle. Employ  
loyed, tattling N Lat Ob 5. 13 North.  
Long 32. 30 West. Ends the day as usual.  
A brig in sight off the lee bow

One hand off duty

18 Friday March 10<sup>th</sup>

Port Hours

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the NE  
and equally. Ships Course N W by N  
Employed variously. A brig in sight  
Middle part the same as the first.  
Latter part more pleasant. Employed  
tattling the rigging N by N Lat Ob 6. 39 N  
Long 34. 20 West. Ends the day steering  
N. W by North by Compass. Exchanged ship  
with an English brig, bound to the  
North.

19 Saturday March 11<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the NE  
and rugged. Employed, tarring the  
rigging N by N. Steering N W by North.  
Used up all our tar and cant do any more  
till we can get some. Middle part  
the same as the first. Latter part much  
the same as the middle. At 10 AM  
Spoke back Prudent of N. York from  
St Salvador bound to Trieste. Lat Ob  
8. 39 North Long 36. 52 West.

One hand off duty



Ship Crew Capt. Parker of Bedford Bound  
Towards the United States New York 1837  
Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> 1837

Commenced with fresh breezes from N.E.  
and rigged in. The watch employed  
in ship's duty. Steering N.W. by North  
by compass. Middle Latitude has  
more pleasant Lat Ob 10° 35' N  
Long by Chronometer 39° 02' and by  
Sun 39° 15' West. End of the day Steer-  
ing N.W. by North by compass.

One hand off duty

Monday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales from  
E. N.E. & E. East and quite passable  
weather. Employed in painting the fore  
mast and top, Spencer got N.E. Middle  
Latitude part the same as the first.  
Latitude ob 12° 29' North Long by  
Chronometer 40° 44' West. End of the  
day Steering N.W. by North.

One hand off Duty

Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant gales and  
quite passable weather from the N.E.  
& E. East. Employed painting the  
main & Mizzen masts. Middle part  
light gale and squally. Latter part  
very light breeze from the East and  
cloudy. Employed squaring the Mizzen  
rigging. Lat by Acet 13° North Long  
41° West. End of the day as usual.

One hand off duty



Ship Crew 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of N. Bedford Boston  
Towards the United States. Remarks for 1837

23 Wednesday March 15<sup>th</sup> 1837

W. B. Barker

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light breezes from the E. & East and Squally in Evening repairing the flying jib for Middle part the same as the first with head & well which makes the idleness labour considerably. Lat Ob 15.00 North Long 43.30 West. End of the day steering N. West

One hand off duty

24 Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup>

Saw Gulf Weed

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light breezes from the E. & East and pleasant. Employed cleaning ship inside in order to paint in Middle part some squally. Latter part fresh breezes from the N. East and passable weather. Employed painting ship inside. Saw a ship steering to the W. & West. Lat Ob 16.00 North Long 46.00 West. Finished painting the bulwarks & mast &c.

One hand off Duty

25 Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the N. E. & East and squally dirty weather (hard weather for paint in Middle part fresh breezes & sunny. Latter part more pleasant. Saw a ship steering to the westward. Lat Ob 17.34 North Long 48.22 West. End of the day steering to the N. West



The United States

Comm<sup>d</sup> with a pleasant breeze from  
the East and fine weather. Employed  
minding paint when the rain had fallen  
on it in Painting spaces &c. &c. Middle  
part the same as the first. Latter part  
some squalls but quite passable weather.  
Employed painting spaces, blocks  
&c. Lat. Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 48. North. Long 30.11  
West. Ende the day as usual.

Commenced with pleasant gale and clear  
weather from the E. East is. Steering  
to the N. West is. Middle part fresh  
breezes from the E. East and squally. Latter  
part heavy squally of wind and rain  
from the South and S. West and of thick  
weather. Saw a big Steering N. West  
Lat  $20^{\circ} 08'$  North Long  $51^{\circ} 23'$  West.  
Ended the day humming sail &c.

28 Monday March 20<sup>th</sup> 1834

Comm<sup>d</sup> with light baffling airs and calm  
Saw plenty of Gulf weeds. Employed ge-  
-ing to the N.W. as fast as possible  
Middle part variable winds and  
calm. Latter part squally from the  
N.W. Lat.  $21^{\circ} 12'$  North Long  $51^{\circ}$   
 $38'$  West. Saw two ships steering to the  
N.W. Employed scraping the deck  
painting the cabin &c. End the day steer-  
-ing to the North East.

Self opened



Ship *Ceres* Capt *Barber* of *W. Bedford* Bound Toward  
The United States

Remarks &c 1837

20 Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> 1837 Commenced with pleasant gale and  
variable. Steering by the wind to the  
North East. Middle part fresh gales  
from the South and squally. At 11 AM looked  
to the Westward. Latter part the same  
as the middle. Employed sailing ship.  
Lat 01° 21' 49. North Long 52° 24' West.  
End of the day steering by the wind to  
the Westward.

*M. Barber*

21 Wednesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commenced with fresh gales from the North  
and squally. Steering by the wind  
to the Westward. Middle part more  
pleasant with variable wind from North  
to N. West. Employed wetting and  
painting blocks &c. Lat 01° 24' 29. North  
Long 55° 10' West.

31 Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commenced with pleasant variable gale and  
quite comfortable weather. At 3 PM tacked  
to the East. Middle part fresh breeze  
from the N. West and moderate weather.  
Latter part more moderate with the  
wind from N. West. Saw himbback but  
did not lower for them. One Topical  
schooner in sight to leeward. Lat 01° 22' 28.  
North Long 54° 22' West. End of the day  
steering by the wind to the North and  
East.



Ship *Ceres* Capt *Baker* of *New Bedford* from *Milford*  
Toward the *United States*      *Remarks* 1837

32 *Wednesday* *March 24<sup>th</sup>* 1837  
*Friday*

Commenced with fresh breezes from  
N. West and shifted in a thick morning  
to the North (by the wind) A topsail  
brought in light. But bent the old main  
sail and bent the new one is Hoisted  
part more moderate. Latter part light  
air from the Westward. Lat  $43^{\circ} 27'$   
Long  $53^{\circ} 46'$  West. Ende the day steering  
by the wind to the North and west.

33 *Thursday* *March 25<sup>th</sup>*  
*Saturday*  
*Breeze*

Commenced with pleasant breezes from the  
Westward and fine weather. Employed  
variously. Middle part strong gales  
from the Westward and stopped. At 2 AM  
doubled reefed the topsails. At 5 looking  
the fifth mainsails. Latter part strong  
breeze. Made sails again. Repaired the  
main topsail and fore topgallant sails.  
Lat  $44^{\circ} 24'$  38 North Long  $54^{\circ} 18'$  West  
Ende the day steering to the North  
west under all prudent sails.

34 *Sunday* *March 26<sup>th</sup>*

Commenced with pleasant gales from the  
N. West and quite favorable weather.  
Steering by the wind to the North.  
Middle part light gales and squally from the  
west northwest. Latter part pleasant with  
light air from the westward. Passed a  
vessel bottom up. Apparently about 150 tons  
burthen; her starboard quarter stove in, not  
repaired and upon the whole she was a bad  
looking craft. Lat  $46^{\circ} 11'$  North Long  
 $54^{\circ} 02'$  West. Beating to the N. West.



Ship *Ceres* Capt<sup>n</sup> Barker of Bedford from St Helena  
Bound Toward the United States. Remarks &c 1837

35 Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
westward and equally. Steering by the  
wind to the North. Middle part  
buffling air and equally. At 2 o'clock  
tacked to the Westward. Latter part  
pleasant with a fresh breeze from N.W.  
Employed in Ship's duty. Lat Ob 26.44. North Long 55. 04 West.  
End the day steering to the westward  
with all sails

36 Tuesday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1837

Buck's Patch.

Comm<sup>d</sup> with pleasant breezes from the  
N. West and fine weather. Steering by  
the wind to the West with all sail out  
Middle part light baffling air and  
calm. Latter part pleasant breezes  
from N. and fine weather. Various  
employed in. Lat Ob 25.55. N. North  
Long 56.43 West. End the day steering  
by the wind to the West N. West.

37 Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with a light breeze from the N.  
and fine weather. Steering N.W. by N.W.  
(with Studd<sup>n</sup> Sails and main Breeze set on  
more) Middle part the same as the  
Latter part new light air from E. S. and  
fine weather in. Lat Ob 26.10. North Long  
58.37 West. Observed the Sun from the  
End the day of usual



Ship *Ceres* 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Barker of N Bedford from St Helena  
Toward the United States. Remarks 1837

Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1837 Comm<sup>d</sup> with fresh breezes from the  
East and fine weather. At 4 Am kept off  
N W by West. the wind hauling to the South  
and inclining to be squally. The old  
wheel very rectly indeed if it does  
not break any ones legs. Shall be glad  
Middle part strong breezes from the  
N West. took in the Studdsails and the  
flying jib &c. Latter part heavy squalls  
and strong breezes from the West &c. a  
baggards weather. Took in the jib & main  
sails and double reefed the topsails.  
Lat 04 27 49. North Long 60. 10 W.

Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the  
N West and squally. Dugged weather.  
At 5 Am took in the fore Mizzen top  
sails. Middle part the same as the fore  
Latter part more moderate. Saw a Brig  
steering to the West. Lat 04 28 35. North  
Long by acct 59. 30 W. Long 59 40 West. Ende the day standing  
to the North East under a double reefed  
top sail & fore sail. Spencer & Jan to the mast stay

40 Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1837

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the N W  
and squally. At 1 Pm wore ship to the West  
ward. At 2 set the fore top sail double reefed  
and at 4 Pm set the main sail reefed. The  
wind at North and squally. Middle  
part more moderate. Set the Mizzen top  
Latter part quite pleasant. Made all  
stays and let her go by the winds to the  
Westward. Lat 04 28. 01 North Long 60. 10  
West. Ende the day as usual.



Ship's Log 2<sup>nd</sup> Capt. Parker of. Bedford from N. H.  
Toward the United States. November 1837

41 Sunday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1837  
Commenced with light gales from the N. and fine weather. Steering to the West by the wind. This afternoon hove the Foremast on board. Middle part light airs from the West and Squally latter part strong breezes from the West and N. West and squally weather. Steered by the wind to the N. West and N. West. Lat 41° 28' 34" North Long 61° 14' 31" West.

42 Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Commenced with equally dirty nasty weather with the wind from West to N. West. Hove a Brig. Mast to the Foremast. At 4 P.M. doubled reefed the Top sails. Middle part squally. Tacked to the N. West and shook out of the Top sails. Latter part fresh breezes from the North and pleasant with an ugly head sea. Got down the cutting joudan and stowed them away also the craft out of the hold. Lat 41° 28' 34" North Long 63° 30' West. End the day as usual.

43 Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>  
Commenced with pleasant breezes from the North and fine weather. Ship under all sail steering by the wind to the N. West. Middle part calm. Latter part a very light breeze from the East and fine weather. Repaired the Foremast. Hove it again and set the Muddensails. Lat 41° 28' North Long 64° 09' West. End the day steering to the N. West.



Ship Crew Capt Bartles of Bedford from N. H. Allen  
towards the United States. W. M. Bartles 1837

Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> 1837 Commenced with pleasant breezes from the  
South West and fine weather. Employed  
in ship's duty. Steering to the N. W.  
under all sails. Middle part fresh  
breezes from the N. West and cloudy. Latter  
part strong breezes and bugged weather  
from the westward. Took in the fore sail at  
5 o'clock. Steering N. W. by North. Lat 41°  
30. 05 North Long 65° 35 West.

Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales from N. West  
and squally thick weather. Put a reef in  
the fore & main topsails and set the fore  
reef then. At 6 Pm took in the fore sail and  
double reefed the topsails. Ship's course  
N. by North. Steaming about 500 Miles per  
hour. Middle part the same as  
the first. Latter part heavy gales from  
the N. West and squally. At 6 A.M. Hoisted  
under a double reefed main topsail and  
foresail. Lat 41° 40 North Long 67° 20  
West. At 9 A.M. wore ship to the Westward  
and a big steering to the South.

Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with fresh breezes from the North  
and bugged. At 2 Pm more moderate made  
sail and are now (3 Pm) steering by the wind  
the N. West. Middle part light air from  
the N. E. and calm. Latter part light  
from the N. East and fine weather. Steering  
to the N. West and N. by North under all  
sails. Lat 41° 47 North Long 68° 00  
West. Ends the day as usual when we  
have a fair wind.



49. Monday April 10<sup>th</sup>

Comm<sup>d</sup> with heavy gales from the  
west<sup>erly</sup> and a generally rugged weather  
Employed making and taking in sail  
as occasion required constituting the chief  
business of this day. Middle Latitude  
part the same as the first. Steering  
the wind to the North under all hands  
sail. Lat Ob 37° 33. North Long 61°  
53 West. Several sail in sight.



Ship Crew Capt. Barker of Bedford from N. H. H.  
Towards the United States. Portsmouth N. H. 1837

50 Thursday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1837. Commenced with strong breezes from the  
Westward and breezy squally weather.  
At 2 P.M. came up with Schooner Ship  
Golden Breeze of Fall River also an English  
brig. Middle part the same as the  
first. Latter part more pleasant with  
the wind from N. West. Lat 43° 38' 18" N.  
Long 70° 45' West. At 6 P.M. tacked ship  
to the Westward. So ended the day.

51 Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup>

Brief & Part.

Commenced with fresh breezes from the  
N. West and fair weather. Blowed  
away a small piece of the jib. Sent  
him in repaired him and sent it on.  
At 3 P.M. passed the Ship Cooper of  
Boston they steering to the West. Saw  
two other sails also. Middle part pleasant  
and sails from the North and fine weather.  
Latter part fine little breeze from the N. W.  
and pleasant weather. At 12 O'Clock tacked  
to the North. Lat 43° 37' North Long 71° 19' West  
by chronometer and by 2 distances 71° 19' West.

52 Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with pleasant breezes from the  
N. West and fine weather. Steering by the  
wind to the North. Middle part pleasant  
breezes from the Northward and fine weather.  
Steering North for Hook Island. Latter part  
light air from the N. West and fine weather.  
Lat 43° 39' 12" North Long by chronometer  
71° 42' by Lunar 71° 26' 71° 33' West. Ended  
the day steering North.



Ship Cyrus Capt Parker of Weymouth from St Helena  
Towards the United States. Weymouth Dec 1837

53) Friday April 14<sup>th</sup> 1837 Breeze with very light air from the  
N East and fine weather. Steering to the  
North with studding sails set. Saw a new  
school of Blackfish this afternoon.  
Middle part thick weather with the wind  
from the South. Latter part more pleasant  
with baffling air from NNE to NW. At 10 AM  
saw the Land bearing N by East. (Ch. Soundings  
4000 in 55 fathoms muddy bottom.) At 12  
o'clock saw Montserrat Lighthouse bearing NNE  
True off N East. Lat 14° 40' 51" North Long  
71° 06' West. Brought the chains and got the  
Anchor off the bow.

54) Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup>

Breeze with pleasant gale from N West  
and fine weather. At 3 PM took a pilot  
Black Island bearing NW distant 4 leagues.  
At sunset the SE point of Black Island bore  
N by South distant 5 leagues.











































Stephanie  
Frances Henrietta  
Phocion  
Jm Hamilton  
Gratitude  
Saml McKensie  
Lucy Ann  
Hongqua

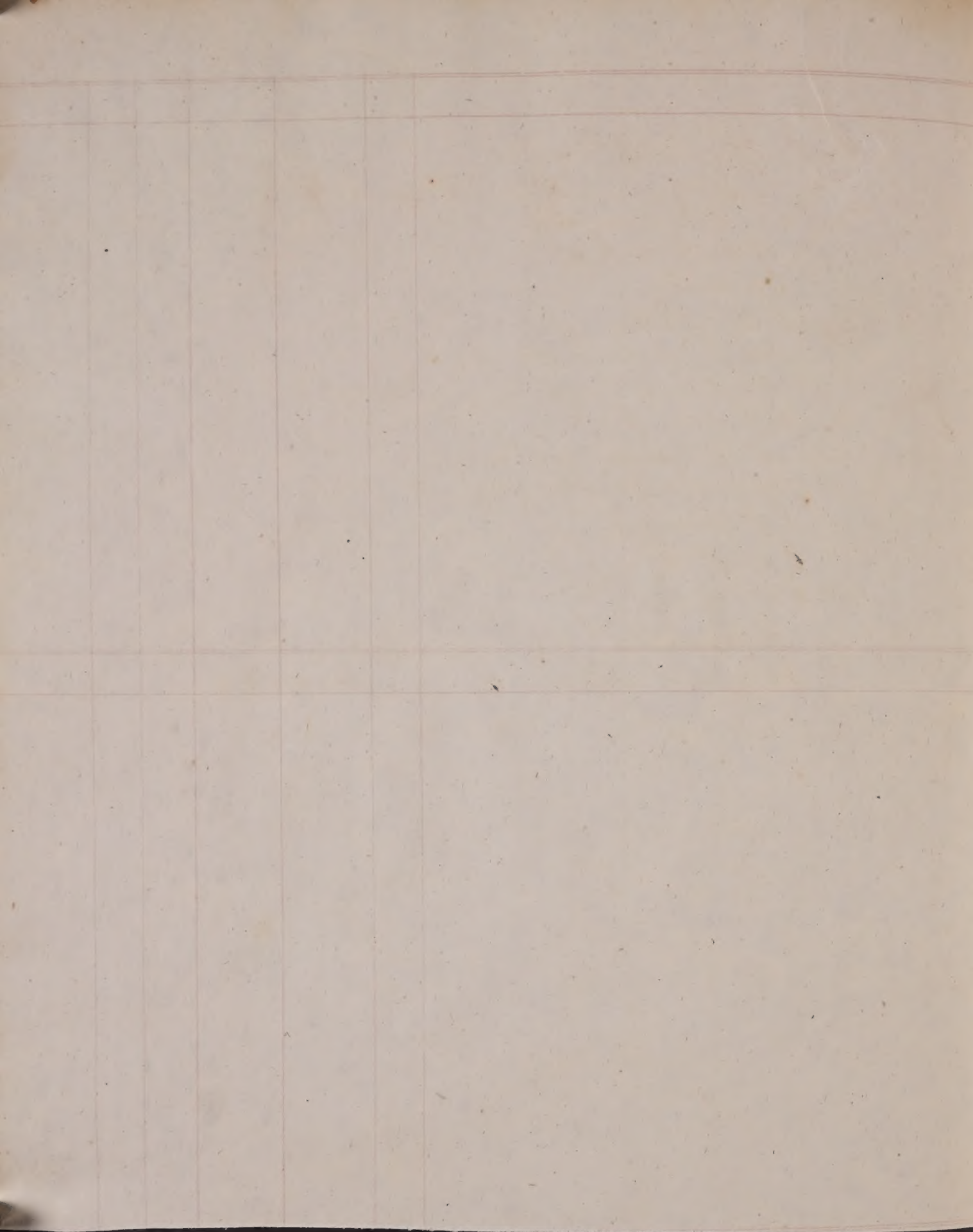














Ship Hope 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Delphos Holmes Hole  
Bark Geo Washington  
Moctezuma  
Lagoda  
Genl Pike  
John & Edward  
Wm Baker Warren  
Israel  
Brig Mattheisett  
John Adams  
Adeline  
Condor  
Bark Mary  
China  
Elizabeth Starbuck Nantucket  
Ship Chariot of Warren



# List of Letters on Board Bark Lewis

Ship, Splendid of Edgartown

" Mount Vernon Fairhaven

" Pacific Fairhaven

" Penzance do

" Franklin

Young Phoenix

Huntress

Cherokee

Falcon

Brig. Autumn

New York

Ship Ann Maria

London

Leonidas

Fairhaven

Addison

Warren

Sane

Elizabeth

MS

Bark Cora

Ship Minerva Smith

Bark Elizabeth

Ship Hydaspes

" Vermont

Poughkeepsie

" Lion

Providence

Gold Hunter

Fall River

" George & Susan

Messenger

" Plato

" Minerva

" Eagle

Fairhaven

" Bark Sane

Somerset

" Selma

Archer

" Columbus

Fairhaven

Bark Garland

London Packet

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Penelope

Clifford Wayne

Fairhaven

Good Return

Florida

Balance

Providence

Heroine

Fairhaven

George

Massachusetts















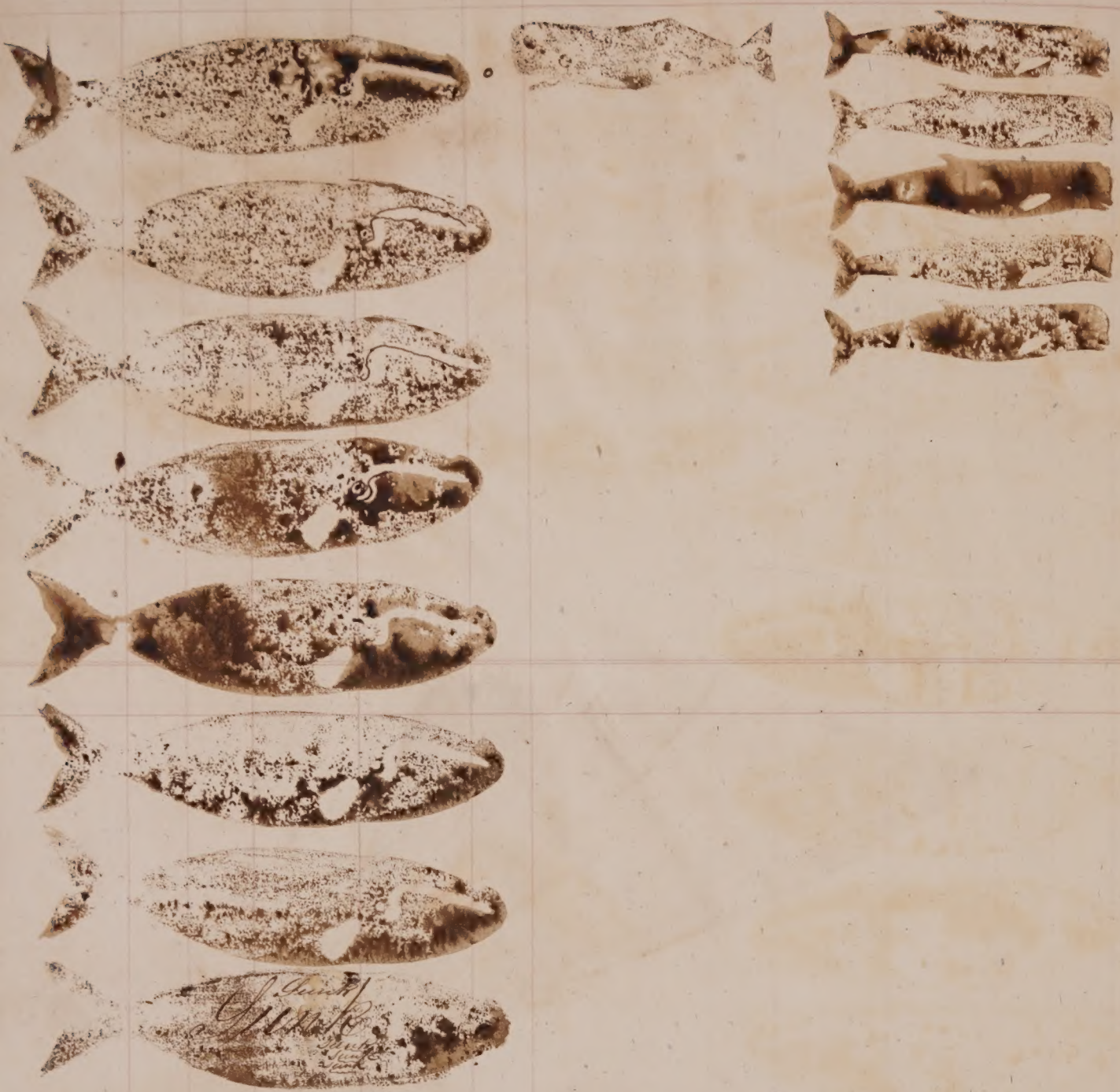








Harboard Board





*Starboard Boat*





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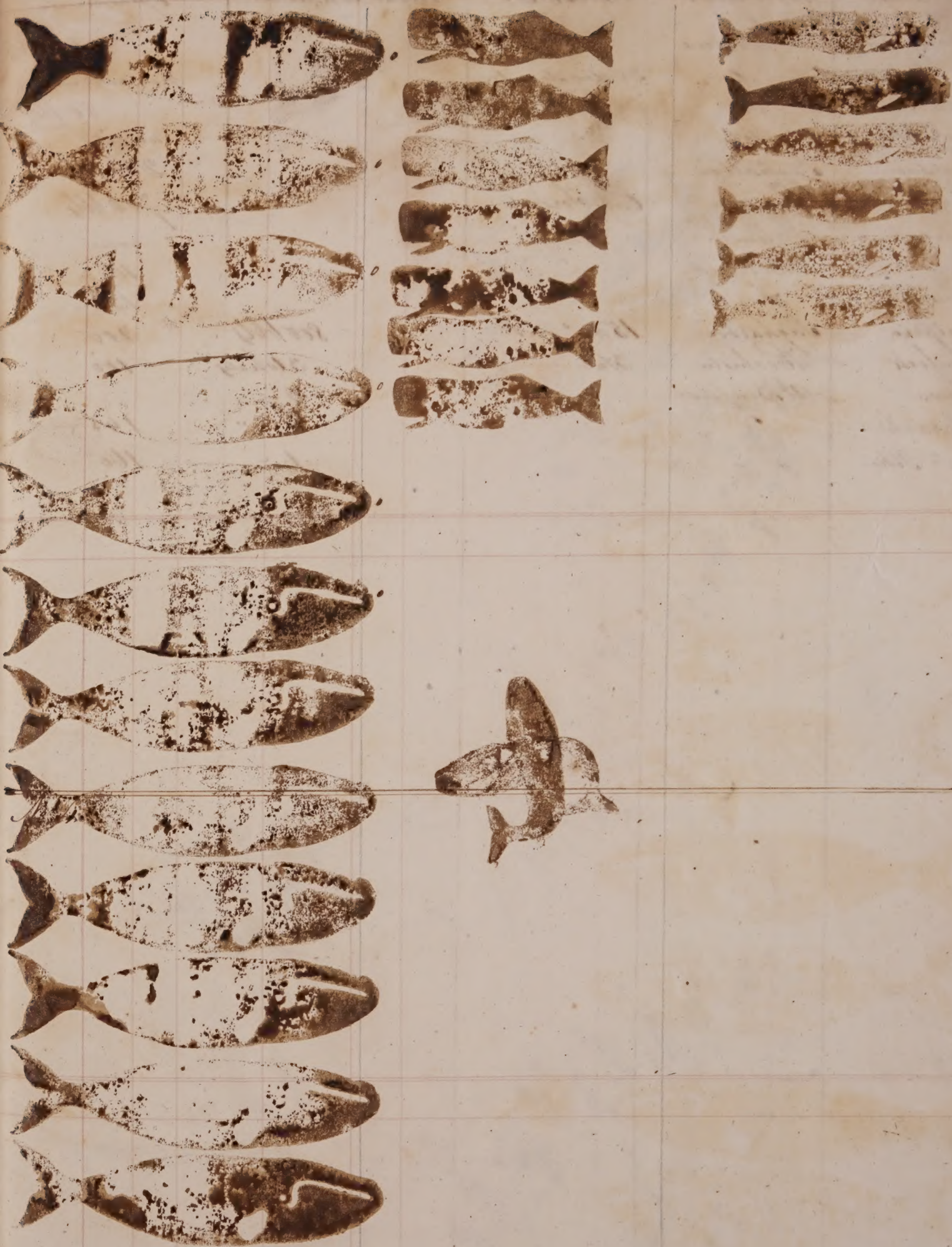


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# List of Ships Spoken by Ship Lure Capt Barbers in 1835

Names	Belonging to	Months Out	Right Whale oil	Sperm do
Sally Anne	N Bedford			450
Petavia	do	28 days out		no oil
Clarice	do	6		80 bbls
Gent's Pike	do			no oil
Hudson	Sagharbor			250 bbls
Roxanna	London	Out Forever		700 bbls
Bengal	Salem	18 days		none
Sara	N Bedford			100
John Adams	do			120
Ontario	Sagharbor	15 m <sup>o</sup> out	800 bbls	200
Thylock	Rochester	3 1/2 - -	3 whaly.	100
Sara	N Bedford		2 - -	
Parachute	" "		4 " "	145
Gent's Pike	" "		6 -	160



Improvement

Reckon  
Guys & Calcutta

Part 1

John Smith

Moore



